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Summertime Santa



Christmas was celebrated in June at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library last week as part of the "Get a Clue at Your Library" summer reading program. Jeffrey Schatzer, the author of "The Bump on Santa's Head - How Santa Almost Forgot Christmas" and "The Bird in Santa's Beard - How a Christmas tradition was Forever Changed," wowed dozens of youngsters and adults who attended the event. Above, Hannah Smock was more than happy to check the authenticity of Schatzer with a quick pull on his beard. Left, Schatzer led the youth in a rousing version of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

Students design t-shirt for canoe marathon

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Artwork from a pair of AuSable Primary School students will be featured on a t-shirt that will be sold during the AuSable River Marathon weekend.

Text created by Parker Learman, who was in Jessica Barth's first grade class, and a picture designed by Kyle Watkins, a student in Jenny Hetfield's second grade class, were combined for a youth t-shirt that will be sold during the canoe marathon.

During reading month, which was held in March, the school decided to work with the AuSable River Canoe Marathon Committee for a contest to design the shirt.

"It was really challenging to see who did the best picture and writing," Learman said.

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60th AuSable River Canoe Marathon t-shirt design

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Cubs Go Canoeing



Cub scout Joshua Schmidt smiles for the camera during the Cub Scout Pack #3993 field trip down the Manistee River. Kids and parents alike participated in the pack's first family canoe trip. A total of 43 people went down the river in 16 canoes.

Jury delivers guilty verdict for neglecting dog

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A jury found a 46-year-old Roscommon man guilty for animal cruelty on Friday.

Lawrence Edward Baumgart faces up to 93 days in jail, a \$1,000 fine and 200 hours of community service after he was

found guilty for a charge of animal/cruelty-abandonment. A sentencing hearing has been scheduled for 9 a.m. on Tuesday, July 10.

The charge is linked to a yellow lab, which has been named Thor, that was found on Jan. 11 emaciated in a carport where Baumgart's mother, Judith Baumgart, lives on Stephan Bridge Road.

The dog was tied to a golf cart with a nylon strap.

Gail Foguth, the animal control officer for Crawford County, wrapped Thor in a blanket, and took him to the Grayling Hospital for Animals.

Veterinarians who testified at the trial said that Thor was half his normal weight and his ribs were clearly visible due to lack of muscle mass.

Miranda Bailey, Baumgart's defense counsel, argued that Thor had jumped from the truck while he was snow plowing his mother's driveway on Dec. 28.

Foguth testified that Baumgart's mother did not tell her that she or her son were missing a dog, trying to pass it off as a stray.

Terry MacKillop, the animal control officer for Roscommon County, said he was able to link the ownership of Thor to Baumgart after area citizens circulated flyers, seeking to cover mounting veterinary bills.

Staff at the Roscommon Veterinary Clinic and Grayling Hospital for Animals, which are both owned by Dr. Paul Mesack, were able to link ownership of Thor to Baumgart.

MacKillop said that Baumgart eventually admitted to owning the dog and taking it to his mother's house.

Baumgart volunteered to relinquish the ownership of six other labs he had in his kennel after being questioned by MacKillop.

"The wheels were already in motion against me for that dog," Baumgart said on the stand.

Dr. Troy Fairbanks did the initial examination on the dogs.

"They ate ravenous, everything that was put down for them," Fairbanks said.

The dogs seized in Roscommon were later taken to the Riverside Animal Hospital in Flushing after they were turned over to A Few Steps From Home, an animal rescue operation based in Bay City.

Dr. Michelle Kone, a veterinarian at the Riverside Animal Clinic, said the dogs could not be kept in the lobby of the clinic since they smelled of feces and urine. She added that the dogs lunged to eat feces and drink urine when they were in an examination room.

"The dogs were in absolutely deplorable condition," Kone said.

Bailey argued that Thor, who was called Boo when owned by Baumgart, lost weight from being outside in the winter and couldn't find food.

Baumgart said that he made several attempts to find the dog, which he said probably chased an animal on to state land. He added that he was not shocked that the dog ran off.

"He was a good dog, but he

was not a good hunting dog," he said.

Prior to presenting her defense case, Bailey sought a directed verdict from District Court Judge Monte Burmeister, arguing there was not enough evidence to prove that the abuse and neglect occurred in Crawford County. Burmeister, however, said that Dave Sabin, the assistant Crawford County Prosecutor, presented enough evidence to have the case decided by the jury.

Sabin argued that Baumgart did not make significant attempts to locate Thor after allegedly running away. He also questioned why Thor was wearing a camouflage collar when he was found, while Baumgart said he only uses blue and red collars for his dogs.

"If your dog runs away, you take the necessary steps to retrieve them because they become part of your life," Sabin said. "He really didn't want his name associated with a dog in that condition."

It took the jury of four women and two men just over an hour to deliberate and render their verdict after the day long trial.

Thor was up to his normal weight and his heart was beating properly. His care is being provided by Cheryl Postma, the director for the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

"He looked happy, healthy and was doing great," Fairbanks said after seeing Thor in April.

Officials hope to recover the cost for veterinarian bills, which are over \$3,000, as part of restitution in the case.

Additional details surface about pedestrian slaying

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

A pedestrian was killed in the center of north bound I-75 in the area of the Lewiston Grade underpass on June 9. This week, a representative from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office was available to comment on the death.

Deputy Sheriff Ryan Swope revealed that the victim, 31-year-old Marc James Gardner of Lapeer, had abandoned his vehicle on foot when it either ran out of gas or had engine problems.

The results from the toxicology report on Gardner are still not in. However, he called his girlfriend earlier in the evening and

told her that he had been drinking. Nonetheless, this does not necessarily mean that he was intoxicated at the time of his death.

"He had also told her that he was on US 10...apparently he was somewhat confused or lost," said Swope.

Swope could think of no explanation for why Gardner was walking in the lane of traffic.

"He was wearing dark clothing," said Swope.

This may have been part of why the driver, a 41-year-old woman from Wisconsin, was unable to see Gardner. He was struck in the lane of traffic by a vehicle moving between 65 and

70 miles per hour, according to the driver.

As of press time, the Sheriff's Office reports that there are still no plans to press charges against the driver.

Swope emphasized that this loss of life could likely have been avoided with the right phone call. "If you have any problem with your vehicle...there's no problem with calling 911," said Swope.

Swope noted that citizens may be reluctant to make a 911 call in these situations because people may not perceive such circumstances to be emergencies. However, being stranded far from town, especially late at night, is enough to justify a call.

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For the second year in a row, Dr. Darius Divina (right) volunteered to be duct taped to the cafeteria wall in order to raise funds for Mercy Hospital's Relay for Life team. This year, Divina was joined by Dr. Brian Gedeon (left). Gedeon commented on his participation saying, "I've got nothing else to do except hang around." Cafeteria visitors paid one dollar for each strip of duct tape, raising a total of \$680 for cancer research.

Students design t-shirt for canoe marathon

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Watkins' illustration features the #3 canoe paddled by Mo Harwood and Matt Ashton, who are friends of the family.

"They're good mentors for me," said Watkins. "Being out on the river canoeing is one of my favorite things to do with my family."

The picture show the paddlers raising their paddles as they end the race at Lake Huron, with the sun shining overhead.

Learman said he is excited to

have the t-shirt being sold as part of canoe marathon festivities.

"It feels good to be noticed, and the t-shirt will be worn by people all over the world," Learman said.

Learman likes seeing the start of the canoe race and seeing the paddlers at different stages of the race, especially his uncle, Jimmy Laurent.

"It's fun to watch and see who is the fastest and where my uncle is at and where the other

people are at," Learman said.

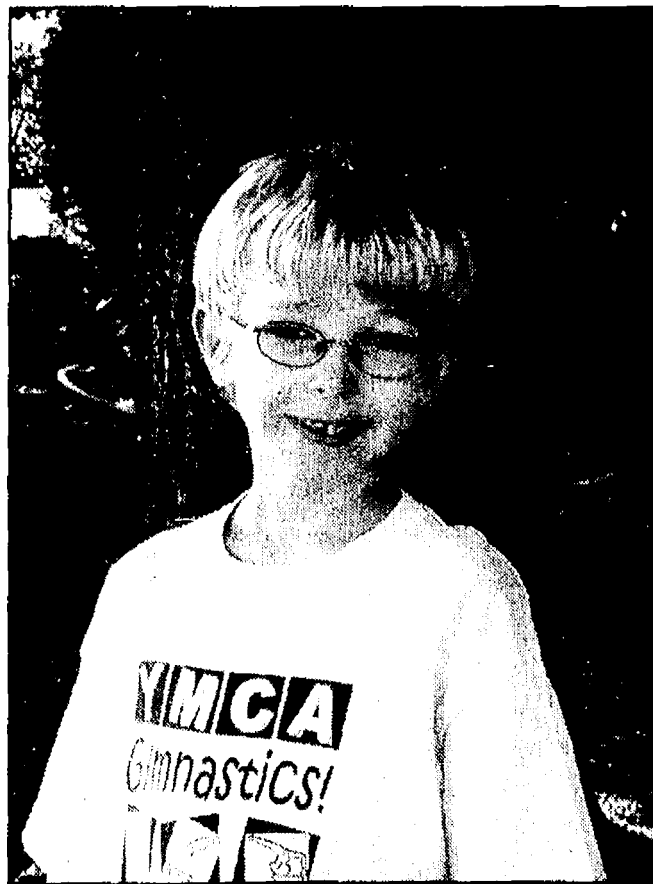
Barb Mick, the AuSable Primary School principal, said she was pleased that the students were able to be part of such a huge community event.

"We're proud of them and we can't wait to see their design all around town at the end of July," Mick said.

Learman and Watkins were recognized for their t-shirt design at the Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education meeting held earlier

this month.

"I think its neat that our students were able to contribute to this tremendous, Grayling event," Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Joe Powers said.



Parker Learman, left, and Kyle Watkins, right, designed a t-shirt that will be sold during the 60th AuSable River Canoe Marathon weekend.



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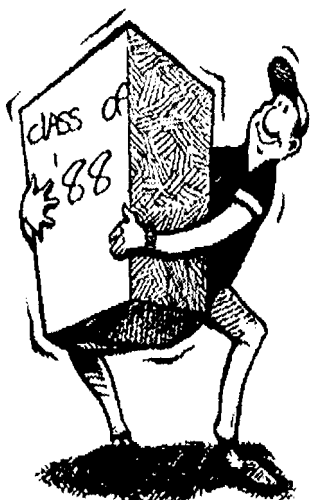
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Re-districting efforts may not go far

TO MOST OBSERVERS of the political scene in Michigan, efforts to sift extreme partisanship out of drawing new legislative and congressional districts each 10 years should be welcome.

Needing change and accomplishing change, however, are very different animals.

Our present apportionment method, like that in many states, requires the state legislature to do the job. After each 10-year federal census, state house and senate districts, plus congressional districts, must be redrawn to reflect population shifts.

In the past several decades, population changes have dictated that Michigan lose congressional seats, which adds another complication for districting. Michigan once had a 19-member delegation, which went down to 18, then 17, then 16, and now 15 members.

State senate and house seats are static at 38 senate and 110 house districts. Decennial districting, however, reflects internal shifts of population within the state.

UNDER OUR PRESENT system, whichever party controls the legislature also controls how congressional, state senate and state house districts are configured for the succeeding 10 years.

History has shown that partisanship

rules. If Republicans control the process, districts tend to be drawn so that as many Republicans as possible can be elected to the state senate and state house. Democrats do the same.

Congressional districting follows the same pattern, with the added dimension that often districts can be drawn to create a district for some ambitious individual who covets a congressional seat. Sometimes the controlling party draws lines so competing members of the opposite party end up in the same district.

Several incumbent Michigan members of congress have sought other routes to public service after their districts were cannibalized; James Blanchard, Howard Wolpe, David Bonior and James Barcia, all Democrats, come to mind.

The aim of partisan districting is to gain or extend future control of the law-making process. The partisans in charge must concede certain seats to the opposition, so they cram as many adverse voters as possible into as few opposition districts as possible, and spread the other voters to make other districts either safe or up for grabs.

In the 2006 election, for example, Democrats drew more votes than Republicans for the 15 Michigan congressional seats, yet Republicans won nine seats and Democrats six.

In a similar scenario in the state senate, Democrats won 54 percent of the vote in all 38 districts combined, yet Republicans won senate control 21-17.

Such anomalies may occur naturally, due largely to population densities, but politically shrewd districting helps.

CERTAIN ELEMENTS of equitable districting are generally accepted.

Districts must be as near equal as possible in population. They should be regular in shape, compact, contiguous and cross as few local governmental lines as possible.

In an ideal world, partisanship should be of no consideration. In the human condition of our established political process, partisanship is inherent.

State Sen. Glenn Anderson of Westland has renewed districting discussion by introducing a bill in the Michigan legislature, cosponsored by nine other senate Democrats, to establish a nine member bi-partisan districting commission, and require a two-thirds vote for its decisions.

The two major state parties would appoint two members each. Party leaders in the legislature would appoint two members for each party, and these four would appoint the ninth member – presumably an independent voice.

Sen. Anderson, who also served six

years in the state house, claims his aims are pure.

"I'm not doing it out of anger that we don't have a majority," he said. "This is about strengthening the process. When you're able to design a district to benefit a candidate, there is something wrong with that district."

According to an Associated Press report, Democratic party state Chair Mark Brewer "agrees districting should become fairer and less partisan," and Republican party state Chair Saul Anuzis "does not see a problem with the existing system."

The Anderson idea, as an amendment to the state constitution, would require two-thirds approval in both the state house and senate, plus voter approval in a statewide vote, to become law.

EARLIER ATTEMPTS at bi-partisan districting have failed.

For example, the 1963 state constitution called for an eight-member bipartisan commission, selected equally by the two major parties, and from four geographic areas of the state, and with the secretary of state as commission secretary.

Lacking a majority vote on new districts, any commissioner could submit a plan to the state supreme court for decision, and any elector in the state could

submit a plan to the court, too.

This system never got off the ground, and no other attempted change worked if it required the parties to agree. Courts usually have been involved in deciding districts.

With today's technology, it should not be difficult to devise equitable districting and meet basic criteria of population, local jurisdictions, shape, size, compactness, contiguity and other suitable elements ... if partisanship is out of the picture.

Under the Almanack plan, a team of non-partisan technicians would work alone in a room with as many computers and programs as necessary, feed in the figures and the considerations, and let science and mathematics, not partisanship, make the judgments. The result should be just, fair and equitable districting plans, and I'd bet the farm they'd be far better than what we've been getting for so many years, maybe not from a partisan standpoint but from a citizenship standpoint.

Of course, it is basic that partisanship be ignored.

We can all dream. Great ideas often begin with dreams.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

VIEWPOINT

By Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak

Mercy Hospital Grayling stays true to its roots

Whether it's serving someone who is underinsured, a child living in poverty or a senior citizen struggling to get by on a fixed income – Mercy Hospital Grayling offers a rich history of action.

Trinity Health, Mercy Hospital Grayling's parent firm, was founded by two congregations of religious women. The Sisters of the Holy Cross and the Sisters of Mercy Regional Community of Detroit dedicated their lives to those lacking access to health care.

In 2007, the original mission continues as Mercy Hospital Grayling reaches out to meet the health care needs of families in the Grayling region through wellness programs and hospital-based care, regardless of their financial status.

During 2006, Mercy Hospital Grayling provided more than \$3 million in community benefit through charity care, community programs, and the unpaid costs of Medicaid.

While the amount that we have spent is significant, we believe the value of that investment is even greater. Some of our programs are relatively low cost,

such as providing prenatal care to teenage mothers, but they provide great benefits – in this instance, preventing low birth weights.

Other community benefit dollars are more substantial, such as providing charity care through our Emergency Department and other hospital departments. We also provide free or low-cost clinics, school health programs, and health prevention activities.

Some of our services, while desperately needed, are not financially able to operate alone. Those programs include palliative care, and participation with and support of the AuSable Free Clinic.

In partnership with Munson Healthcare, which manages Mercy Hospital Grayling, we are releasing a community benefit report that will be distributed in today's newspaper. During a time when many seem to be questioning the tax-exempt status of hospitals, we hope northern Michigan residents will read the report and how it reflects the role of stewardship we take very seriously.

We believe you will see that we remain true to our roots.

Amusement park, hit or miss?

To the editor:

I live downstate in Dundee, now known as the home of Cabelas, and I also own a home on Cub Lake between Grayling and Kalkaska. A recent article in a local paper brought the possibility of an amusement park in Grayling to my attention. Like most people, the idea originally excited me. I called my brother who owns a cabin near mine and told him the good news.

Then after a few days to reflect on the proposal, I began to wonder if this is really a good thing for Grayling and the local community. I began to think back to when Cabelas, now known as the No. 1 tourist attraction in Michigan, was planning on opening a store in Dundee. We heard the same promises of growth, jobs, development, more growth and more jobs that people are suggesting Grayling will see with this park. They were also excited about the tax money that the store will bring into the area to help our schools and city infrastructure.

Since the store opened, we've had about five or six big chain restaurants open up, a few hotels, several new gas stations and that's about it. Several of our local restaurants have been forced to close their doors due to competition and the downtown traffic that was promised is nonexistent, even with large signs at the entrance and exit of Cabelas trying to direct people to the Historic Downtown Shopping District. Now they're considering bringing in a Meijer store. That's probably not going to help the small businesses in the area either.

My house, which appraised for \$170,000 three years ago, has been on the market for \$135,000 for more than a year and I can't even get an offer. Investors have started several new subdivisions

and most have struggled. Instead of building the nice expensive homes people thought were coming, builders are being forced to build smaller cheaper homes just to bring buyers in. Some builders have stopped completely leaving half-finished subdivisions with half-finished roads that end at overgrown fields where houses were once planned.

Our taxes have continued to go up to pay for infrastructure upgrades. The new tax money is nonexistent due to tax abatements or captures that keep the stores tax money for use to improve the area around the store. Don't let this happen in Grayling. Just like everyone in the rest of the state, we are cutting teachers and programs in our school because we don't have enough money.

Most of the jobs created are minimum wage jobs and are filled with kids and young adults or by retirees using the job to supplement their income. All this in a town that has the No. 1 tourist attraction in Michigan.

Deep down I want this amusement park to go forward, but only if it is planned out properly and successful. I know my teenage daughter would enjoy our trips up north even more if she could go to a world class amusement park while we were up there. I'm just not sure if we will see all the results people are promising if the park comes in.

This isn't a magic pill that is going to solve the problems of the people of Grayling, and drive millions of people to the home of Axiom Amusement Park, formally known as Grayling. We need to make sure this project complements what the up north experience is and not take away the heritage of one of our wonderful northern communities.

Steve Ball
Dundee

Article needs some clarification

To the editor:

There were two things in Dick Milliman's article in the June 7 edition that I feel needs some clarification.

He wrote about all the people who want to be president and referred to them as candidates for president. There will be no candidates for president until the political parties hold their conventions in 2008. Until then,

they are candidates for the nominations.

In giving the Pledge of Allegiance, a comma got in between one nation and under God. It is one nation under God and should have a pause before one and after God, but not in the middle when read or recited.

Art Thayer
Grayling

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EARLY DEADLINES!!!

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Wednesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day and will reopen at 9 am, Thursday, July 5th.

Early deadlines will apply for the July 5th issue:
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BRIEFS

Church hosts all-you-can-eat luncheon

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, on Michigan Avenue, Grayling, will host an all-you-can-eat luncheon of a hot casserole, cold foods, make your own sandwich and salad, dessert and coffee on Thursday, July 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person and take-out orders are available. Everyone is welcome.

Blood drive to be held

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the American Legion, Grayling, on Tuesday, July 3, from noon - 5:45 p.m. For information, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

State Retirees to hold monthly meeting

The regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held on Tuesday, July 3, at the Houghton Lake Community Building at 2 p.m. All retired state employees and their spouses are invited. A representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield is expected to speak.

GHS class of 2002 to hold reunion

Grayling High School class of 2002, will be holding their five year reunion on Saturday, July 14, at the Ole Barn, beginning at 8 p.m. For information, contact Bitsy Hellebuyck at (989) 390-2358 or bit-sy@hotmial.com., or if you have information on a GHS 2002 graduate.

Hartwick Pines to hold Lynx program

A Lynx program, with wildlife biologist Jan VanHoesen, will be held Saturday, June 30, at 3 p.m., at the visitor center at Hartwick Pines. Jan will bring Crystal, her Canadian Lynx, for a program about one of the elusive cats of the northwoods. Contact Craig Kasmer, at kasmerc@michigan.gov for more information.

Secretary of State offices to be closed for the 4th of July

All branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet or touch-tone telephone. Easy to follow instructions can be found

with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

With the exception of holidays, branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Smaller branch offices may close for the lunch hour. On Wednesday most offices are open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., with those in city centers open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PLUS offices and SUPER!Centers are open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday. SUPER!Centers also provide Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information visit the department Web site at www.Michigan.gov/sos.

DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for May.

Immunization clinics: July 11 and 18 by appointment, call (989) 348-7800.

Family planning clinic: July 10, 17, and 24. Call (989) 348-7800 for appointment.

WIC clinics: This program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children: July 5, 12, 16, 18, 23, 25, 26, 27, and 30. Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions: For information call (231) 876-3839.

Breast and cervical cancer screenings are available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled for July 17 in Grayling. Call (989)-348-7800, ext. 8042 for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings:

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for June 24 of \$25 each: Dennis Sloan, Wendy Fleming, and Robert Bohley.

Knights of Columbus

The winners of the Knights of Columbus raffle on June 17 were: Sherri Thompson - gas grill, Helen Manser - \$100 and Dawn McDonald - \$50.

May blood drives conducted



Alan Etson, center, received a pin for 31 gallons, presented to him by Betty Pamerleau, (right) Crawford County Blood drive coordinator, and Mary Juneau, (left) Red Cross nurse.

The American Red Cross held a blood drive on May 2, at the American Legion, there were 77 donors and nine volunteers made 300 calls.

Gallon pins were awarded to: Brenda DeVries and Robert Miller received one gallon pins; Bernard Twinksi and Wally Knapp, received two gallon pins; James Gardiner, a three gallon pin; Daniel Van Nuck, a four gallon pin; Gary Worden, a 10 gallon pin, William Fairbotham, an 11 gallon pin; and Alan Etson, received a 31 gallon pin. There were three first time donors: Mark Brooks, Jon Halstead, and Angelia Jensen.

Michelson Methodist Church held a type O blood drive on

May 8. There were 25 donors present. There were 2 first time donors: Dorinda Maybury and Michael Strouse. A one gallon pin was awarded to Audrey Fouch and a six gallon pin to Elizabeth Lennon.

The next blood drive will be held on Tuesday, July 3, from noon to 5:45 p.m., at the American Legion Hall, Grayling.

Because of the July 4 holiday, the need for blood will increase, so please, try to donate.

At all drives, donors are requested to bring a photo ID or their Red Cross donor card, be 17 years of age, weigh between 110 and 400 lbs., and be in good health.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of June 28 - July 4, is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during June 28 - 29.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) Military maneuvers and small arms firing. June 28.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek, June 28.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek, June 28.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.), June 28.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, June 28.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on June 28, Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

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Tickets can be purchased only at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce starting Monday, June 18th running through Friday, July 6th. Please take advantage of this great deal if you are planning on attending Michigan's only Rock & Roll Air Show. Again, Thank You Grayling!

The Bible Speaks

Sin Hath Reigned

"20Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 21That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom. 5:20,21). The sin of Adam has continued to abound and reign unto death since the original sin. (Rom. 5:17).

We live at a time when even to mention the word "sin" is considered by many to be offensive and not politically correct. Wrongs are being defended as "rights." Evil is being glamorized and righteousness ridiculed. Legislation is being currently pushed in Washington to make any public denouncing of certain sins into a "hate crime." For example one could not teach certain verses in the Bible like Deut. 23:17: "17There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of Israel." We would not be able to oppose abortion, suicide, or euthanasia by quoting Exodus 20:13: "13Thou shalt not kill." We could not call sex outside of marriage a sin by quoting Exo 20:14: "14Thou shalt not commit adultery."

Sin seeks to abound in individuals until it reigns and destroys them by death. "15Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." (James 1:15). This is why God tells us in Romans 6:12: "12Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof." "7Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. 8For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting." (Galatians 6:7,8). "23For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom 6:23).

Sin not only destroys individuals and families, but also nations. "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." (Psa 9:17). Where are the voices of God's servants preaching against sin and calling our nation to repentance? Have we become like Isaiah 59:4? "4None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity." Are we fulfilling Isaiah 5:23? "23Which justify the wicked for reward, and take

away the righteousness of the righteous from him!" Is moral truth being silenced in America like it was in Isaiah 59:14? "14And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter."

We should heed the warning of the apostle Peter in 2 Peter 2:6: "6And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly." "34Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." (Pro. 14:34). God still has a promise for America in the midst of moral corruption and decay. "14If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chron. 7:14). If sin reigns and America goes to Hell, we who call ourselves Christians will be blamed. Pastor "B"

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OBITUARIES

Dohn E. Weaver

June 18, 1916 - June 24, 2007
Dohn E. Weaver, 91, of Frederic, passed away on June 24, 2007.

He was born in Buchanan, on June 18, 1916, to the late Noah J. and Grace E. (Hamilton) Weaver.

He moved to Maple Forest Township in 1938. He was owner/operator of Weaver's Repair and Recycling and was Sexton of Maple Forest Township Cemetery for approximately 40 years. He served as Bishop at the Church of Christ in Frederic.

He married Esther Hopkins, and was married for 66 years, before her death in 2001.

He was known as "Grandpa" and "Uncle" to many.

He is survived by daughters: Carolyn Love, Judy (Mike) Curtis, both of Frederic; Margaret Gugin of Grayling; sons, Dohn "Lee" (Carole) Weaver and Daniel R. (Debbie) Weaver of Grayling; 14 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren; brother, Marlin J. Weaver of Grayling; and sisters-in-law, Eunice and Beverly Weaver.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Esther; grandchildren: Lawrence A. Weaver, Timothy Love, Gary Lee Gugin, Jr.; great-great-grandson Lars Matthew Love; six brothers and one sister.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 28, from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 29, at 2 p.m., at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, with Elder Daniel R. Weaver and Elder Paul Savage officiating.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Lisa R. Howden

Jan. 6, 1963 - June 23, 2007
Lisa Renee Howden, 44, of Grayling, passed away on June 23, 2007.

She was born in Detroit, on January 6, 1963, to Woodrow, Sr. and Mattie Irene (Shell) Bach.

She attended the Grayling Assembly of God. She enjoyed going for walks, young people, being around friends, and cooking.

She is survived by daughter, Ashley Howden; step-daughter, Trish Kohnert, both of Grayling; granddaughter, Jocelyn Kohnert; brothers, Steve (Lana) Bach of Mt. Pleasant, Mike (Linda) Bach; and sister-in-law, Barbara Bach, both of Dearborn Heights.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and brother, Woody.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, June 27, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, with Rev. John Bulloch officiating.

Interment will be held at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 117 complaints the week of June 18 - June 24:

One EMS response, eight suspicious situations, 15 general non-criminal complaints, one structure fire, one walk a way-mental, six false alarm activations, seven burglaries home invasions, one burglary-forced entry-nonresidence, seven larcenies, two fraudulent activities, five damage to properties, one sex offenses-indecent exposure, one fleeing or eluding-felony, one escape-flight from legal detention, 13 public peace/disorderlies, one hit and run motor vehicle accident, two OUILs/UBALs, six health and safeties, one miscellaneous arrest, 14 traffic accidents, one accident-non-traffic, four traffic violations-civil infractions, one inspections/investigations-property, 10 inspections/investigations-family, two lost and found properties, four driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

LIBRARY NEWS

Devereaux Memorial Library

Dinosaur detective "Paleo Joe" will be at the library on Saturday, June 30, from 11 a.m. - noon. Find out what a real paleontologist uses to dig up answers to the mysteries in our past. Meet Paleo Joe Kchodl at the Devereaux Memorial Library, 201 Plum Street, Grayling. The event is free and open to the public. Any questions, call (989) 348-9214.

The library's history mystery field trip to Wellington Park is planned for Thursday, July 5, from 12:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. This free trip is limited to the first 40 children to sign up. You must have a signed permission slip by a parent or guardian returned to the library by July 2.

Calling all artists, as part of "Arts and Culture" month in August, we are inviting local artists to contact us for an art show. We would be highlighting your art or craft and at the same time, passing on your expertise to other library patrons.

If you think you might be interested, contact Jane Gylveszi at (989)348-9214.

BIRTHS

Donna and Jeffrey Johnson, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Bethanie Lauren, born at Mercy Hospital on June 18, 2007, at 11:33 a.m., weighing 7 lbs., 11ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

Jenna McClain and Thomas Woodman, of Grayling, announce the birth of a daughter, Adeline Vi, born at Mercy Hospital on June 14, 2007, at 9:34 a.m., weighing 9 lbs., 1 ozs., and measuring 21 inches in length.

Julie Owen and Kris Newsom, of Grayling, announce the birth of a daughter, Kendall Deanne, born at Mercy Hospital on June 17, 2007, at 6:53 a.m., weighing 9 lbs., 4 ozs., and measuring 21 inches in length.

Michelle Stephenson, announces the birth of a son, Lyle Joseph, born at Mercy Hospital on June 7, 2007, at 1:07 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., 14 ozs., and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length.

Bingo
Sunday - 1:00 pm
Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465



Dawn M. Howell

Nov. 13, 1981 - June 16, 2007
Dawn Marie Howell, 25, of Shelby Township, passed away suddenly on June 16, 2007.

She was born in Grayling, on November 13, 1981, to Peter David and Cheryl Ann (Muriel) Howell.

She was the mother to Dakota Howell.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Wilford and Donna Muriel and Frank and Margaret Howell.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Russell J. Patterson, Jr.

Feb. 18, 1953 - June 15, 2007
Russell John Patterson, Jr., 54, of Frederic, passed away on June 15, 2007.

He was born in Detroit, on February 18, 1953, to the late Russell John and Joan (Adams) Patterson.

He served in the U.S. Marines.

He is survived by daughters: Autumn (James) Roberts of Roscommon, Felicia, Patty, Khrystal, and Megan Patterson of Frederic; long time companion, Carolyn Love; and three grandchildren; sister, Patricia (Max) Szobonya, and several other brothers and sisters.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m., on June 30, at Church of Christ of Frederic, with Elder Daniel R. Weaver officiating.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Lars Matthew Love

Lars Matthew Love, son of April Lohrer, of Grayling, passed away June 20, 2007.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

MILITARY NEWS

SFC Robert Beattie son-in-law to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lovely of Grayling. SFC Beattie is married to the former Suzan Lovely. SFC Beattie is currently serving in Afghanistan as a Platoon Sergeant with C 26 TAB. SFC Beattie was recently inducted into the prestigious Sergeant Audie Murphy Club (SAMC). This organization only selects the best qualified Noncommissioned Officer's to join its ranks. SAMC and it's members directly reflect and represent the attributes of the Army's greatest American war hero Sergeant Audie Leon Murphy.

For more information on the SAMC go to <http://www.audiemurphy.com/samc.htm>.

In Loving Memory of
Ralph Helsel, Sr.

A million times we needed you,
A million times we cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You would never have died.
If all the world was ours to give,
We would give it.
Yes, and more, to see you coming
up the steps
and walking through the door.
To hear your voice, to see your smile,
To set and talk with you awhile.
To be with you the same old way,
Would be our fondest day.
A heart of gold stopped beating,
Two smiling eyes close to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.

Son, daughters & families.

In Memory
July 5, 1996
Danny Wakeley

Eleven years ago, our father
brought you home. There is
not a day that goes by, when
you are not in our thoughts,
our prayers and in our hearts.
We miss you and know you
are rewarded in Heaven.
"Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see God." Matt 5:8

Love Mom and all your
brothers and sisters

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
(989) 732-7001
Sunday Service 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday School 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974 /
Website: www.mum-umc.org
Barrier Free
Traditional Service 8:30 & 11:15 am
Contemporary Service 10:00 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade) 11 am
Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 11am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Jorgensen
Phone 989-348-1909
Services held Saturday at
Camp AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Lovelis Community Chapel
(Bible based & non-denominational)
Pastor Larry Hankins
Associate Pastor Tom Paunce
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovelis
989-348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult) 10 am
Morning Service 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Rick Secord - Pastor
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Service 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
heritagebaptist-grayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor Gary Wojcik
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parsonage 348-7466
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed) 7 pm

The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
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Sunday Worship 10 am

Westminster-By-The-Lake
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Sunday Worship 11:00 am

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Unity Church of Today North
Terry Dickinson, Minister
Virtual Church-on Email Bible Study available at
tlmrd@freeway.net

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church
707 Spruce
Grayling
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Page
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament 10 am
Sunday School 11 am
Primary 12 am
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Service, Children's Church and Youth Service 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting (van transportation available) 7 pm

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street
348-5224
Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Community of Christ
Pastor Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Glenn Rd. • 348-9751
Church School 9:45 am
Preaching 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office - 707 Spruce - 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses 10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend Elizabeth Chase
M-72 West • Office 348-5850
Morning Prayer Tues-Fri 8:30 am
Bucharist (Wed) 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

Reurrection Life Center
Pastor Bud & Debbie Mann
Sunday Service 10:30 am
Mid Week Services (Wed) 7:00 pm
Mail: 2640 M-72 West Grayling, MI 49738
Phone: 989-348-1000
E-mail: reslife@earthlink.net

New Creation Ministry
Pastors David & Jean Robinson
Matrix Youth Center • 6441 W Pine Point Rd.
989-348-2025 • 989-396-3513
Sunday Service 11:00 am
Tuesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Grayling Valley Tabernacle Church of God
Pastor Donald Gosik
(989) 627-3151
Meeting at the Primary School
Sunday Worship / Primary School 10:30 am
Sunday School 9:15 am

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 pm

Church of Christ
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-8613
In Search of the Lord's Way
Sunday Mornings on
TV 29 & 8 7:30 am
Sunday Classes 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
1st Sunday Evening of every month there is no service.
Mid-Week Bible Study (Wed) 7 pm

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Stader
211 Shellenbarger St. • 348-5325
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor John Scott
705 Madison St. • Grayling • 348-2557
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
Pastor David Rosenberg
Associate Pastor Scott Huffer
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday Church Service 10 am - 6:30 pm
Sunday School 9 am
Bible Study (Wed) 7 pm
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30 pm

Luzerne Baptist
Pastor James Durfee
2247 Durfee Lane
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

Church of the Nazarene
Pastor David Barker
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska • (231) 254-3448
Sunday School 10 am
Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer (Wed) 7 pm

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)
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Summer Worship:
Sunday Learning Hour 9:15 am
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am

St. Martin's Ev. Lutheran (WEILB)
Douglas Carter - Pastor
For information call 989-821-6013
The Roscommon Community Center,
510 South St., Roscommon, MI.
Sunday 9 am

Friendship Church
A Christian Reformed Ministry
Rev. Dick Oberg, Pastor
415 Ohio North, Gaylord
Sunday School 9 am
Morning Worship 10 am
Tue. Women's Bible Study 10 am
Wed. Men's Bible Study 12 noon

This Church Directory is used by residents and visitors. If you wish to show your support for area churches, call the Avalanche at 348-6811, to be included on this page.

Ugly Tie Contest winner announced



Grayling Uptown District Association president Kim Millikin stands with Ugly Tie Contest winner Linda Ahnert, who is holding the tie that was voted ugliest in Crawford County. Ahnert won a \$100 gift certificate and a new tie. The contest raised money for a variety of local charities. Participants may pick up their ugly ties this week at *The Avalanche* office.

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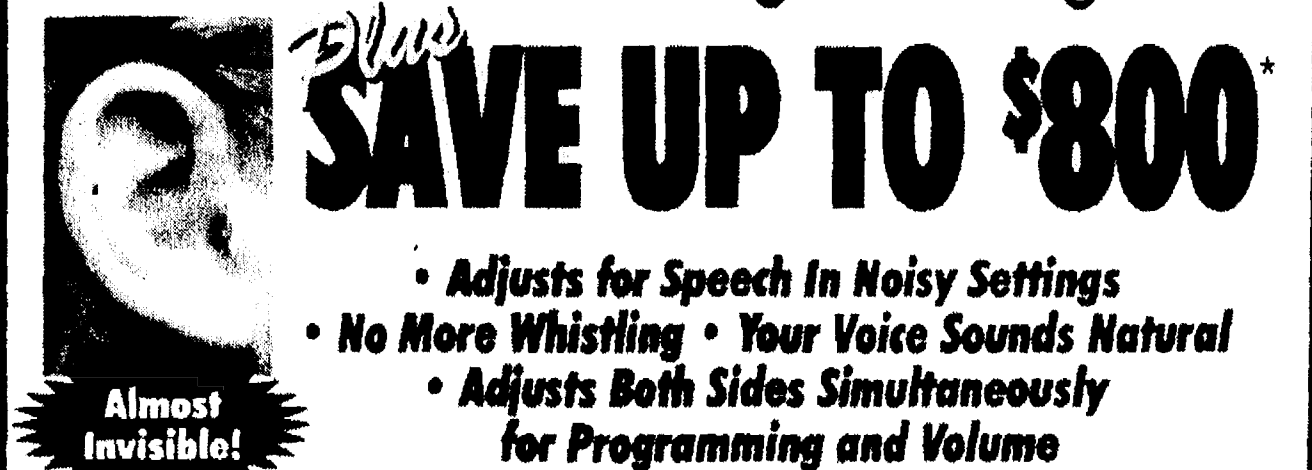
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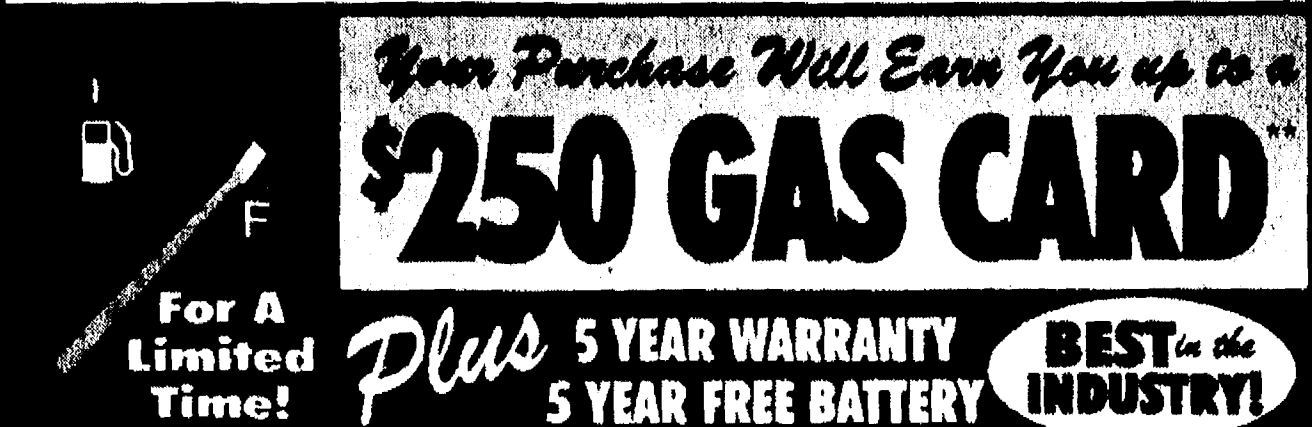


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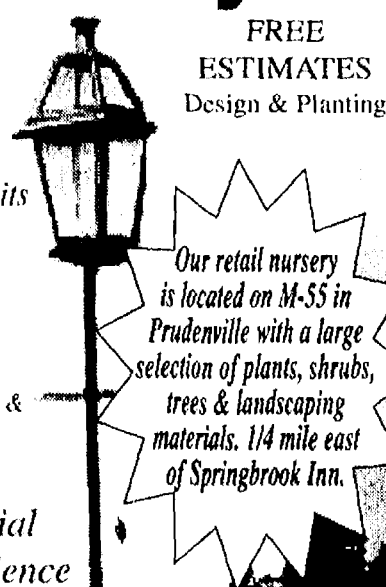
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Ray & Violet were married on Ray's birthday, July 7, 1940, in Saginaw, Mich. Ray served for 3 years in the South Pacific with the Navy CB's from 1942-1945. He was a member of the Navy band for those three years, playing trombone.

Ray retired from his asphalt company down state and moved to Grayling in 1967 with his family.

Ray managed the officers club at Camp Grayling for 18 years. Violet worked at the high school and is an active community worker. They are both life members of the American Legion Post #106 and the Carl Borcher VFW Post #3736.

All 7 children will be home for the occasion with their families. The three younger boys, Jim, Carl & Louis, grew up in Grayling.

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Reflections wins 3rd Annual Horseshoe Tournament

The clanging of horseshoes raised over \$700 for the Animal Shelter of Crawford County on June 16, in the 3rd Annual Horseshoe Tournament at Dingman's Bar, despite a mid-event thunderstorm.

Seven teams of two vied for the honor of displaying the traveling golden horseshoe trophy at their place of business for one year.

The Reflections Window Cleaning team of Kalkaska, Chad Stuenkel and Ken Stuenkel, won overwhelmingly with 236 points, unseating the reigning champs from Great Lakes Roofing #2, Corky Hellebuyck and Ken Bindschattel, who scored 175 points.

The remaining teams were Great Lakes Roofing #1, Mary Cole and Eric Bonamie with 106 points; Charter West Mortgage, Mark and Mary Becker, with 78 points; Dingman's Bar, Pat

"Pops" Modos and Ken Berry, with 66 points; Grayling Auto Repair, Mark Ruley and Roger Redinger, with 51 points; and Senior Independence LLC, Jerry and Marianne Gosnell, with 33 points.

For the third year in a row, a heavy thunderstorm rolled through northern Michigan, giving the players an unscheduled, but cooling break from the mid-day heat. Once the sun broke through, members of the Great Lakes Roofing teams went to work on drying up the pits.

The event is organized each

year by shelter member Mary Becker, a part-time resident of Frederic and loan officer for Charter West Mortgage. Players were treated to snacks, a buffet of brats, burgers, side dishes and desserts prepared specially by Pam Modos.

"The Annual Horseshoe Tournament is one of my favorite fund raisers because everyone comes out just to have fun for a good cause," said shelter secretary/treasurer Cheryl Ruley. "It's a relaxing afternoon with lots of laughs and lots of cheers."

"With a new shelter facility

getting ready to open, it's very important to show our continued support of all the wonderful dogs and cats awaiting adoption at the current shelter," said Mary Becker, who also organizes the annual Snowmobile Fun Run benefiting the shelter.

"I hope more people are able to participate in next year's horseshoe tournament," Becker said. "I guarantee a lot of fun and that it will probably rain!"

For more information about participating in next year's events, call Mary Becker at (989) 348-7919 or (586) 731-6803.



The Reflections Window Cleaning team (from left) of Ken Stuenkel and Chad Stuenkel (owner) won the 3rd Annual Horseshoe Tournament on June 16, to benefit the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. The Stuenkel's now get to display the golden trophy at their business until next year, when they return to defend their title. The winners are joined by organizer, Mary Becker (center) and hosts Pam and Pat Modos, owners of Dingman's Bar.

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The Cuttage moves to downtown Grayling

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Bev Shinosky may not be running with scissors, but she is running her hair cutting business at a new location. The Cuttage, which is a family oriented hair styling salon that was formerly located on 713 Michigan Avenue, has relocated to North James Street, behind Kim's Magic Nails and Family Video.

"I wanted something that had plenty of parking and the right zoning," said Shinosky.

The move was initially prompted by unforeseen zoning

issues at the business's previous location. Shinosky moved her business to James Street on Memorial Day weekend.

"It's more open and spacious. I can expand services if I'd like to," said Shinosky.

She said she also feels that being more centrally located downtown will be beneficial to the business. Shinosky said that adding new services or even additional employees is something of a possibility.

"I just haven't totally made up my mind yet what I want to do with the extra space," said Shinosky.

The Cuttage has always been a one person business that typically relies on reputation to draw clients, not advertisement.

"Most of my clients have always come from personal recommendation," said Shinosky.

The Cuttage has been open for 11 years in Grayling, with Shinosky having decades of hair styling experience behind her.

"I've done this for 40 years of my life," said Shinosky.

Despite her many years in the industry, she prides herself on her ability to keep up with the trends. She has attended the

last two Redken symposiums in Las Vegas.

"I like to keep updated," said Shinosky, who specializes in hair color.

Now that her business has relocated, Shinosky is enjoying planting flowers outside her building and taking advantage of the extra space.

"I like small town business. It's nice," said Shinosky.

In the end, however, she said her true passion is for hair, not business.

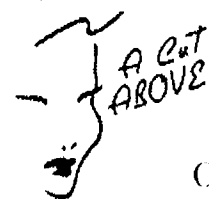
"It's what I've always loved to do and will (do) until the day I die," said Shinosky.



Bev Shinosky gives client Mark Wilkerson a trim at her new location. The Cuttage is now located in the suite behind Kim's Magic Nails on N. James Street.

Announcing: Vanessa Nethers

Vanessa is a 22 year old attending Kirtland Community College. She is a stylist and also performs facial waxings. Vanessa is on staff Tues.-Thurs. with some evening appointments available, Friday 9 am to 5 pm, and Saturday 9 am to 3 pm.



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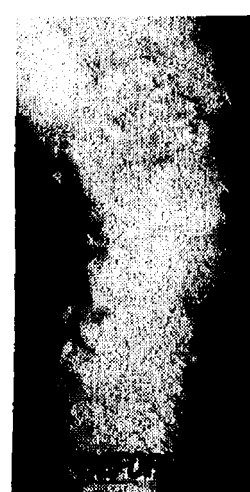
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Grayling Generating Station marks milestones

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Officials at the Grayling Generating Station celebrated significant milestones for the plant's dedication to worker safety and protecting the environment earlier this month.

The Grayling Generating Station, which is located off of Four Mile Road, celebrated its fifth year for being part of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's Clean Corporate Citizen program.

The program recognizes Michigan businesses and organizations that demonstrate exceptional compliance with the state's environmental regulations and policies.

The Grayling Generating Station is the 28th facility in the state, which has been recognized with the award.

In addition, the Grayling Generating Station's 22 employees were also recognized for surpassing 800,000 hours - 15 years - without having a lost-time work accident at the plant.

"We're pleased to celebrate with the Grayling community these two important milestones - recognition for environmental compliance and employee safety," said Phil Lewis, plant manager for the Grayling Generating Station.

Federal, state and local officials attended the plant's celebration, which included a presenta-

tion of a tribute from the Michigan Legislature.

"For 15 years without a lost-time work accident - that's pretty amazing and it's because they take care of each other and you can feel that spirit of camaraderie," said Mary Jergenson, the northern Michigan representative for Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland.

The power plant has a generating capacity of 36 megawatts, enough power to serve about 50,000 residential customers. The Grayling Generating Station is a partnership between CMS Generation, Decker Energy International and Primary Power International. The plant began commercial operation in 1992.

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The Wise Guys (from left: Thane Doremire, Jackie Beckwith and Dan Beckwith) played to a large crowd on the lawn of Citizens Bank in downtown Grayling last Thursday night. The local act was the first group to be featured in the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's Summer Music Series. The next performance will feature Big Rand & Company on Monday, July 16 from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Library recognized for preserving local history

The Crawford County Library System has gained recognition in its efforts to preserve Crawford County's Heritage.

Library Director and Archivist Bambi Mansfield-Sanderson along with staff member Kim VanNuck and volunteer Nancy Stone attended the Michigan Archive Association's annual convention in Ann Arbor.

"It was refreshing to be among many great scholars in the archives profession and to know that our efforts for preserving Crawford County heritage are appreciated and recognized throughout the state," said Mansfield-Sanderson.

Mansfield-Sanderson has been working with the Library of Michigan, local government agencies as well as individuals within the community to create an archive facility that will focus on preserving Crawford County's culture. The Crawford County Library Archive locates and collects resources of historical relevance, and then makes efforts to protect and preserve these documents and artifacts for years to come. "The most important aspect of creating a county archive is to make the information and data available to the general public without compromising the integrity of the original," said Mansfield-Sanderson.

The Devereaux Memorial Library, located in Grayling, has become the home of the Crawford County Library Archives and Special Collections. It is

equipped with a climate controlled room to house rare documents, photos, manuscripts and artifacts. Library Director and Archivist Mansfield-Sanderson stated that many unique collections have been recently donated to the library and are being processed and digitized for public use.

"It is a long and tedious process to properly preserve many of the articles we receive. Each item must be assessed by an archivist and recommendations made for its preservation and accessibility before it can be included in the collection. Photos are processed and stored in acid free enclosures, each digitized, and catalogued with a detailed description before being placed in the archive," said Mansfield-Sanderson.

The Crawford County Library Archive has been overwhelmed with the generosity of donations from families who realize the importance of the archive as well as the care that is taken in preserving Crawford County history.

"So often old photos and scrapbooks that have little meaning to newer generations find their way to landfills. The information that is contained within them will be lost forever," VanNuck commented.

The Crawford County Library Archive will review and accept donations of artifacts and histories that reflect the geographical area and its people. For further information you may contact the library at (989)348-9214 extension 2226.



Pictured from left to right are: library director Bambi Mansfield-Sanderson, staff member Kim VanNuck, and volunteer Nancy Stone at the convention in Ann Arbor.

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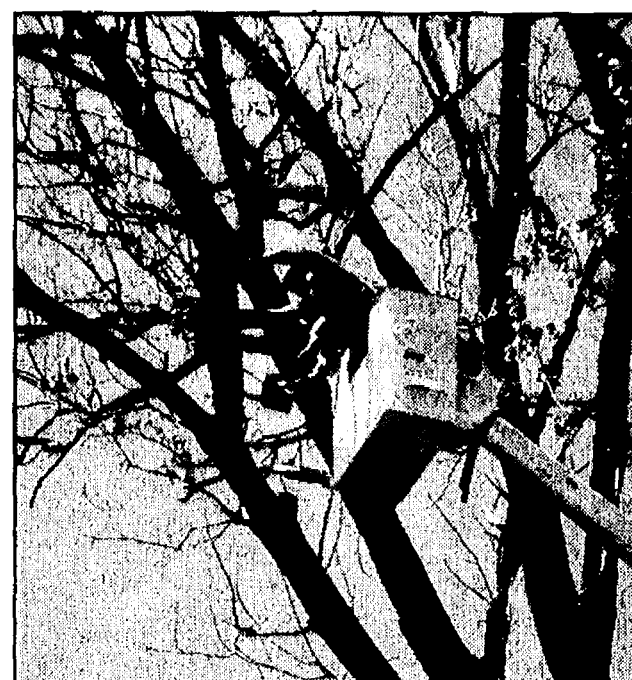
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Trees toppled



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Three huge cottonwood trees, located next to the Crawford County Title Agency, were removed last week by Northrop Tree and Crane Service since they were dying. A tree located in front of Citizen's Bank was also removed as part of the contract with the city of Grayling. Above right, a work crew from the Huron Pines moved several of the smaller branches and limbs from the tree into the pond in Grayling City Park to create fish habitat. The fish habitat project was funded by the AuSable River Watershed Restoration Committee, the Paul H. Young Chapter of Trout Unlimited, the Michigan Fly Fishing Club, the Upper AuSable River Preservation Association and the Mason-Griffith Founders Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Wood from the trees will also be donated to Grayling High School's building trades class to use for lathe projects.

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Friday, June 29 - Lunch - baked meat loaf, boiled potatoes, green beans almandine, and banana. No Dinner. 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, July 2 - Lunch - oven fried chicken, hot German potato salad, green beans, and mixed fruit. Dinner - pork chops, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus, and pears. 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. hearing clinic, 5:30 p.m. Yahtzee.

Tuesday, July 3 - Lunch - shepherd's pie, zucchini, cauliflower, and grapes. Dinner - salmon patties with cream sauce, peas and carrots, green beans, and peaches. 10 a.m. Bible study, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. Bunco.

Wednesday, July 4 - Closed - 11 a.m. parade.

Thursday, July 5 - Lunch - beef tips and noodles, Brussels sprouts, carrots, and banana. Dinner - lemon pepper chicken, winter blend vegetables, beets, and oranges and grapefruit. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

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GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the week of June 17 - June 24:

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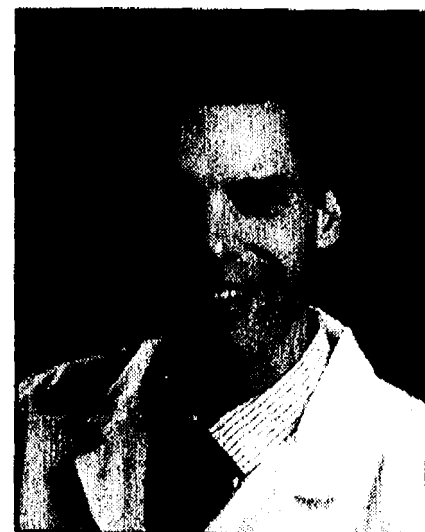
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Softball squad announces team, all-league awards

■ **Two Vikings named all-conference, one named all-district for 2007 season**

Grayling High School's varsity softball team concluded its 2007 spring season with an awards banquet this past Sunday, announcing the squad's

all-league, all-district, and team award recipients.

Two Vikings earned all-league recognition in the Lake Michigan Conference this year:

Ashley Bindschatel (senior) and Joni Bindschatel (freshman). A. Bindschatel was named to the all-conference first team and J. Bindschatel received an honor-

able mention.

Shentele Apps earned all-district honors.

The Vikings also announced three team awards on Sunday:

Most Valuable Player -- J. Bindschatel;

Most Improved -- Samantha Schreiber;

Miss Hustle -- Alyssa Lewis.



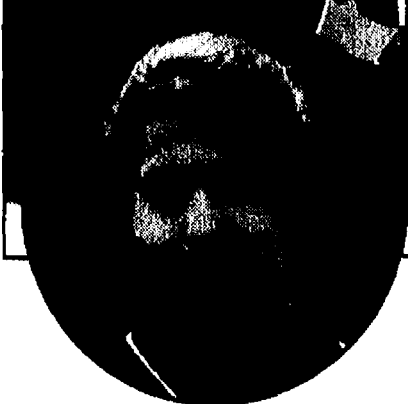
Ashley Bindschatel, All-Conference First Team



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(Left) Jake Swander hits the ball for Grayling during the Father's Day Tournament championship game vs. Cadillac on Sunday, June 17. (Right) Steven Enos pitches against Cadillac.

Grayling Little League team finishes 2nd in Father's Day Tournament

Grayling Little League's Major League all-star team (ages 11-12) finished second in Grayling's annual Father's Day Tournament, a three-day, eight-team event held on June 15-17 this year.

The tournament, held at Grayling Little League's Millikin Field, included teams from Grayling, Mio, Lewiston, Pine River, Charlevoix, Houghton Lake, Cadillac, and Alpena.

Grayling defeated Mio in the first round and posted a victory vs. Pine River in the semifinals to earn a spot in the championship game.

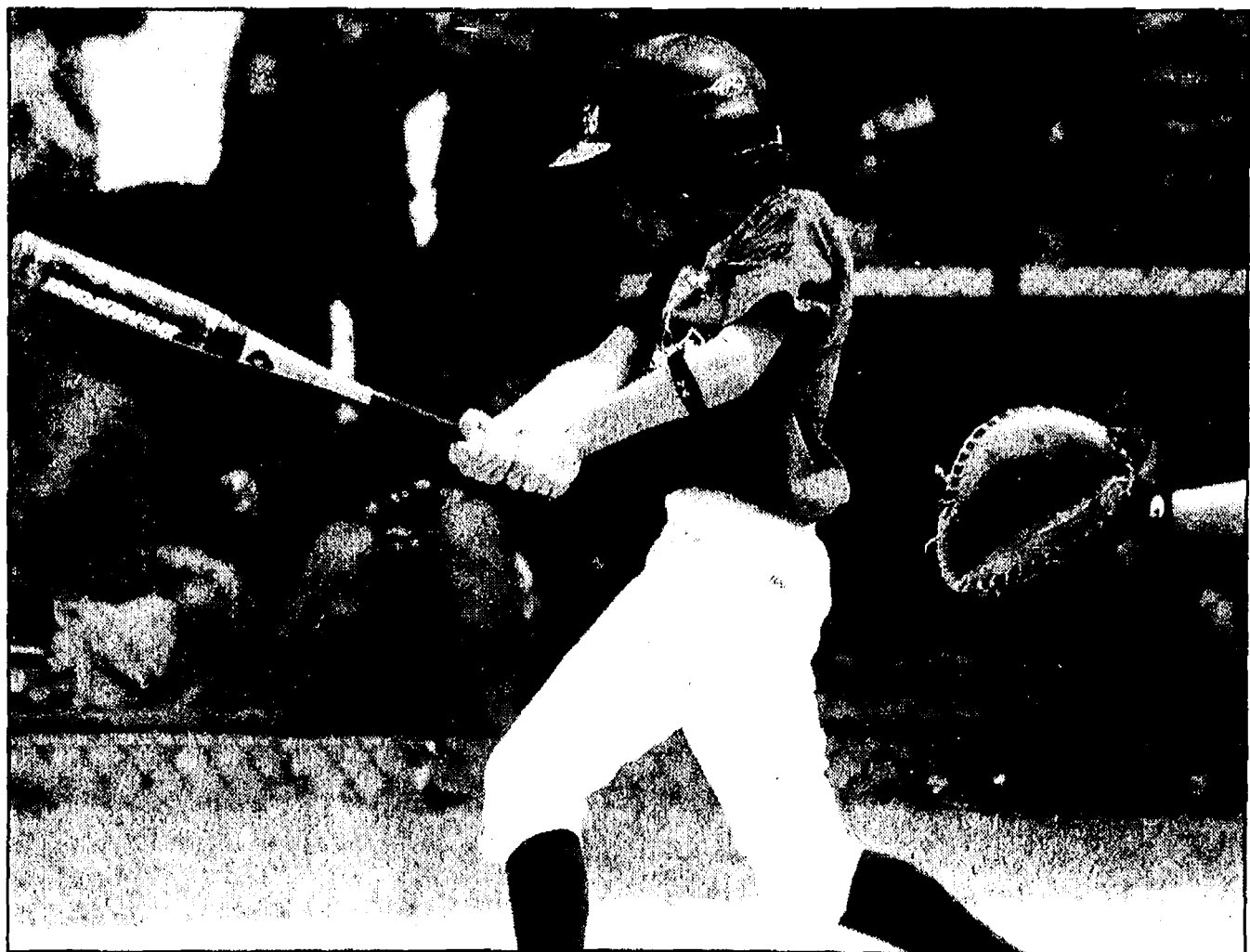
Grayling played against Cadillac in the tournament's championship contest.

The score was locked at 0-0 until the top of the fourth inning. Grayling scored the first run of the game on a sacrifice fly by Ty Jensen, with Jake Swander scoring on the play. Nick Wells and Devon Dawson scored on a single by Nick Shear to give Grayling a 3-0 advantage.

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Nick Shear pitches for Grayling vs. Pine River on Saturday, June 16, in the Father's Day Tournament semifinals.



Zach Mack puts the ball in play for Grayling during the tournament's championship game against Pine River.



Kevin Harris runs from second base to third vs. Mio on Friday, June 15.



Zack Schreiber bats against Cadillac in the championship game.

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(Left) Zach Mack pitches in the tournament championship game on Sunday, June 17. (Right) Ty Jensen bats for Grayling against Cadillac.

Grayling Little League team finishes 2nd in Father's Day Tournament

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Cadillac scored four runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to take a 4-3 lead. Grayling was unable to get any runs on the board in the top of the sixth inning, and Cadillac won the

game by a final score of 4-3.

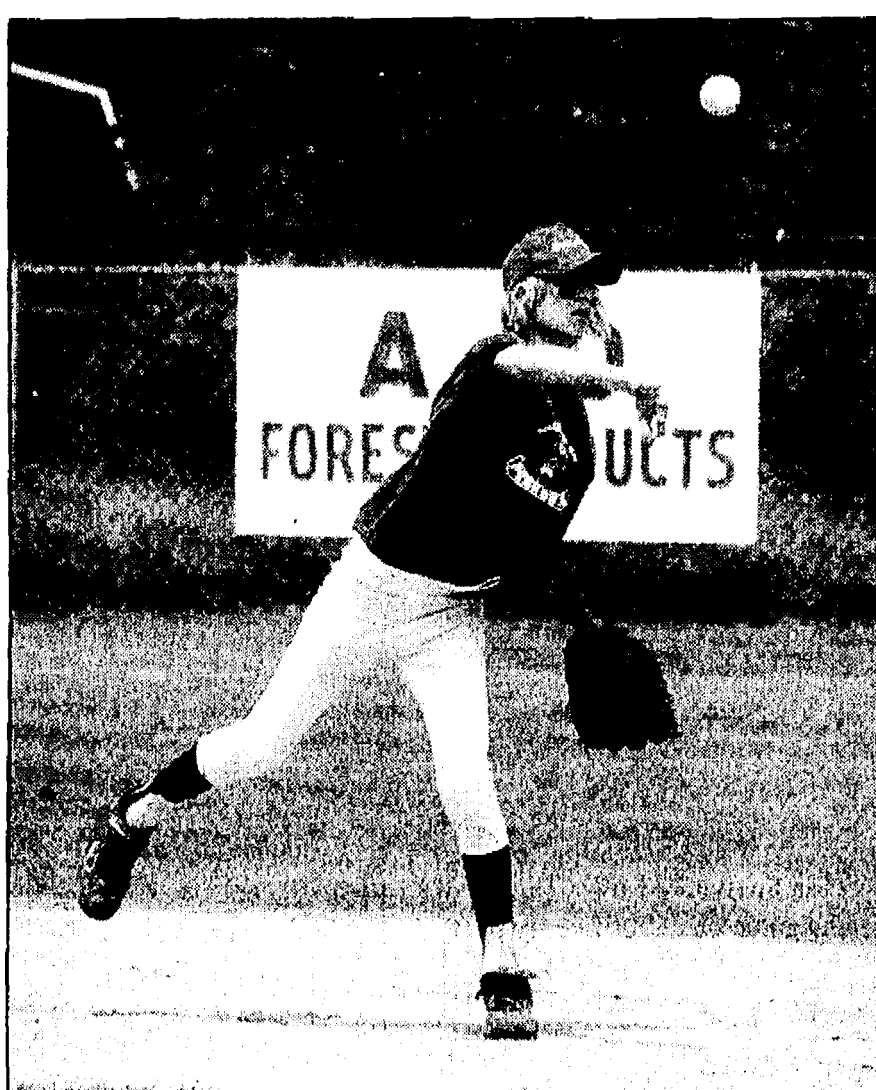
The Grayling team included: Shear, Zach Mack, Jensen, Steven Enos, Kevin Harris, Travis Schreiber, Wells, Chris Phillips, Jeff Enos, Dawson, Swander, and Zack Schreiber.



Nick Shear runs from second base to third base vs. Pine River on Saturday, June 16.



Nick Wells bats for Grayling on Friday night during the round one game against Mio.



Second baseman Devon Dawson throws the ball to first base during the semifinal game vs. Pine River.



Chris Phillips runs to third base in the game against Mio on Friday, June 15.



(Left) Travis Schreiber pitches against Mio for Grayling. (Right) Jeff Enos bats against Cadillac.

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Local athletes win medals at Special Olympics Summer Games

Nine athletes from Crawford County recently competed in the 2007 Michigan Special Olympics Summer Games. The event, which is one of the largest in the United States, was held on the campus of Central Michigan University on May 31-June 2. More than 2,000 athletes participated in 11 different sports at the competition.

In the swimming event, Grayling's Danielle Stevenson, competing in her first Olympics, won a gold medal in the 25-meter freestyle and a bronze medal in the 50-meter freestyle. Jimmy Roman won a bronze medal in the 25-meter assisted swim. Prior to the state meet, the Area 4 Special Olympics swim team competed in meets at Sault Ste. Marie, Bay City, and Midland.

Teammates Wendy Allsion and Hilary Modica won a bronze medal in the bocce doubles event and Modica added a silver in the individual competition.

In track, Kim Wood won a silver medal in the 100-meter dash and a bronze in the 200-meter dash. Wheelchair racer Cody Riness won a pair of silver medals in the 25-meter dash and the 30-meter slalom.

Two local athletes were members of the Northland volleyball teams. Maggie Todorof played on the Huskies squad, which finished third and earned a bronze medal in the modified competition. Kris Brown and David Kolar were members of the Eagles, who finished third in Division 5 of the regular competition. The Eagles had previously finished in first place at tournaments in Flint, Warren, and Roscommon.



Kim Wood (left) runs in the 100-meter dash competition at the Summer Games. Wood won a silver medal in the event.

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Majestic moose menaced by warmer temperatures

by Hannah Northey
Capitol News Service

The majestic moose, that most magnificent icon of the Upper Peninsula wilds, faces a deadly threat from warming temperatures, shifting habitat and the introduction of diseases.

For now, the 460 moose in the U.P. — excluding those on Isle Royale — are holding their own. Their numbers have been increasing annually in the western U.P., according to Dean Beyer with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in Marquette.

But rising temperatures, as predicted by climate models, could threaten moose, one of the U.P.'s largest mammals, which have already moved to the northernmost part of their range.

"Between the high temperatures and parasites, their numbers would go down," said Steve Schmitt, a supervisor at

the Rose Lake Department of Natural Resources (DNR) wildlife disease lab in Clinton County.

An estimated 60 U.P. moose die each year, according to the DNR.

Beyer said moose in the U.P. currently have a lower pregnancy rate than the national average. If the animals are stressed by heat, the rate could go down.

Moose have a difficult time cooling off in the summer because their bodies are large and dark. Increased heat could interfere with their foraging in the summer and impair their survival.

"They can keep themselves warm in cold temperatures but, unfortunately, that works against them in warmer temperatures," Beyer said.

"It's a question of them being able to forage in the summer-time," he said.

Warming temperatures also

pose the threat of spreading diseases such as brain worms, which can paralyze, blind or even kill a moose.

Currently, brain worm kills 2 percent of the moose that die in the U.P.

The parasite cannot survive in extremely cold climates, but as the white-tailed deer move north due to warming temperatures, so does the worm. Deer are now found in the Lake Superior watershed, where high snow and low temperatures used to prevent their survival.

Larvae, living in a deer's brain, travel from its central nervous system into the lungs, where they are coughed into the mouth, swallowed and passed through the intestinal tract with the feces, according to the Michigan State University Extension and Agriculture Experiment Station in East Lansing.

Snails and slugs pick up the larvae from the deer feces, then climb on vegetation that is eaten by moose, Beyer said.

The result is what many experts nickname "moose sickness" or "moose disease," characterized by weakness, fearlessness, lack of coordination of movement, circling, deafness, impaired vision, paralysis and subsequent death, according to a report by the University of Northern British Columbia.

Deer may show no symptoms while carrying the worms.

Michigan's moose gained popularity in the mid-1980s in a historic operation called the Michigan moose lift.

The animals were airlifted as far as 14 miles from Ontario to the U.P. Twenty-nine survived the arduous journey, according to the DNR.

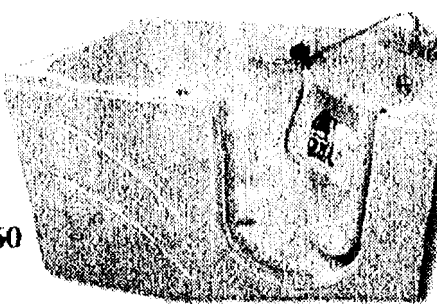
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GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson

Wednesday Ladies League

Wednesday, June 20, we women were treated to some beautiful golfing weather. The extreme heat left us for a while and today was much more enjoyable.

The gals did very well as in, Flight A, Marilyn Hartman had a low net of 31 and Mary Gates had low putts of 15.

In Flight B, Shelly Cohee took it all, with a low net of 29 and low putts of 16.

In Flight C, Evie Kent and Mo McNamara tied for a low net of 35, while Gloria Neilson

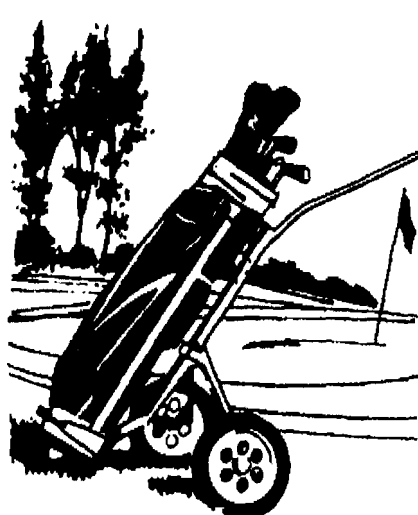
had low putts of 16.

Also, for the fourth week, there were no birdies or chip-ins, this is most unusual, but we'll keep trying.

We had a nice lunch of either a ham salad on a croissant with chips or salmon salad stuffed tomato, with a side of fruit.

After we enjoyed that, we had an informal meeting regarding our Rally for a Cure Day, and all should go as planned, as our volunteers seem to have it all under control. Now we just hope for a beautiful day.

This week, we had a delight-



ful sighting of a doe with two fawns, loping across the fairway. Sure better than meeting up with a skunk.

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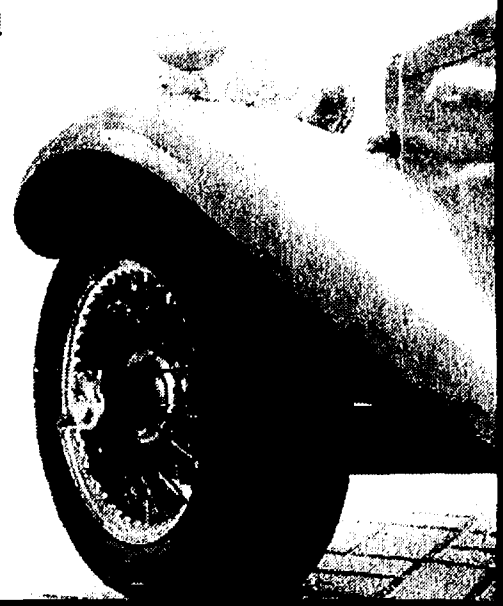
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 25, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 35, Roy L. Estates, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 38, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 21, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 231.5660

-21-28-5-12

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John Anderson and Calley Anderson, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 20, 2006, and recorded on June 27, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 136, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-12XS as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Nine And 49/100 Dollars (\$203,469.49), including interest at 8% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on July 25, 2007. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of

Section 1, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point which is South 88 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said Section 1, 446.37 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 1; thence continuing South 88 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds East along said North line, 184.46 feet; thence South 14 degrees 33 minutes 50 seconds West, 180.70 feet; thence South 28 degrees 07 minutes 16 seconds West, 257.08 feet to a traverse along the Easterly bank of the AuSable River; thence along said traverse the following three courses: (1) North 48 degrees 36 minutes 50 seconds West 116.75 feet (2) North 13 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds West, 51.47 feet; thence North 16 degrees 22 minutes 51 seconds East, 291.40 feet to the Point of Beginning. Description to include lands lying between said traverse line and the edge of water of the AuSable River between the Westerly extensions of the Northerly and Southerly lines as described herein. Land subject to the Northerly portion thereof as Pollack Bridge Road and any easements, restrictions, or rights of way of record. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: June 21, 2007 For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309

Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #146678F01

-21-28-5-12

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Patricia J. Sloan, a single woman and Mark A. Alma and Nichole L. Alma, husband and wife, as joint tenants, to Amerquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated June 20, 2005 and recorded August 5, 2005 in Liber 676, Page 595, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by WM Specialty Mortgage LLC, Without Recourse by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Eight and 16/100 Dollars (\$72,248.16) including interest at 6.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 18, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 3, Woodhurst Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 03 of Plats, Page 05, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 14, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 214.5026

-14-21-28-5

Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals to hold public hearing

The Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Monday, July 16, 2007, at 7 p.m. in the town hall to hear public comment on the following zoning requests:

Case # 07-06

Petitioner:

David Ulatowski

Address:

2188 Pine Cone Ct.

Leonard, MI 48367

Local Address

10014 Portage Lake Dr.

Grayling, MI 49738

Property ID#

040-45-761-05-025-00

Location:

T26N, R4W, Sec. 8

Parcel size:

6,150 sf

Zoning:

General Residential (R2)

Non-conformances

1. Lot is under minimum 12,000 square feet.

2. Existing buildings encroach into minimum side yard setbacks

Request:

Remodel existing home and construct two additions. First addition on west side of structure to come within six-feet of side lot line requiring a (1) four-foot variance on the west. Second addition on east side of structure to come within six-feet of side lot line requiring a (2) four-foot variance on the east. Second addition to come within 10-feet of existing garage requiring (3) five-foot variance between buildings.

Ordinance Requirement Authority

(1)(2) Ordinance 2003-02, Section 17.01

(3) Ordinance 2003-02, Section 3.05 (D)

Text and maps of requests are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator at the town hall, or by calling (989) 348-4361.

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

Terry Wright
Supervisor/Zoning Administrator

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The South Branch Township Board will consider the following Ordinances for adoption at their Regular Meeting on July 10, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

1. Nuisance Ordinance
2. Dangerous Structures Ordinance
3. Dismantled or Inoperable Motor Vehicle Ordinance

Copies of these Ordinances are available at the South Branch Township Hall, 5245 M-18, during regular business hours (Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.)

Lynn George, Clerk

LEGALS

STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CRAWFORD COUNTY PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF FRIEND OF THE COURT ANNUAL STATUTORY REVIEW PUBLIC NOTICE ANNUAL REVIEW OF PER- FORMANCE RECORD OF THE FRIEND OF THE COURT

Under Michigan law the chief circuit judge annually reviews the performance record of the Friend of the Court. The review will be conducted on or about July 1, 2007.

This review is limited by law to the following criteria: whether the Friend of the Court is guilty of misconduct, neglect of statutory duty, or failure to carry out the written orders of the court relative to a statutory duty; whether the purposes of the Friend of the Court Act are being met; and whether the duties of the Friend of the Court are being carried out in a manner that reflects the needs of the community. Members of the public may submit written comments to the chief judge relating to these criteria. Send your written comments, with your name and address to:

Hon. Patricia A. Morse
800 Livingston Blvd. Suite 1C
Gaylord, MI 49735-8344

MORTGAGE SALE

*THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ALL INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT THIS OFFICE IMMEDIATELY. NOTICE TO PURCHASERS: THE SALE MAY BE RESCINDED BY THE FORECLOSING MORTGAGEE. IN THAT EVENT, YOUR DAMAGES, IF ANY, WILL BE LIMITED SOLELY TO THE RETURN OF THE BID AMOUNT TENDERED AT SALE PLUS INTEREST.

Default having occurred pursuant to the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by CARL AND JUDY CRAFT, husband and wife, ("Mortgagor") to The Huntington National Bank, a National Banking Association of 10717 Adams Street, Holland, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated MARCH 18, 2003, and recorded on MARCH 25, 2003 in Liber 625, page 8, and assigned to Fourteen Corporation, an Ohio Corporation, on May 29, 2007, recorded June 1, 2007 in Liber 687, Page 125, Crawford County Records, State of Michigan, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$325,873.77 and an attorneys fee as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the money as secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof and the entire sum claimed due is, as of the date hereof, fully due and payable.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on JULY 18, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., local time, the undersigned will, immediately inside the lobby of the Courthouse, City of Grayling, Michigan, (that being the place for the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage for so much thereof which may be necessary to pay the amount due on said Mortgage, with daily interest after the date hereof and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, together with said attorneys fee, and also any sum or sums which may be paid and are by Mortgagee necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which premises are situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and described as follows, to-wit:

Description 1:

The North 1/2 of the South 2/3 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; AND the South 1/3 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, EXCEPT that part of the above description described as: Commencing at a point on the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6; thence North 180 feet; thence East 660 feet; thence South 180 feet; thence West 660 feet to the point of beginning.

Description 2:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; thence West on the Southerly boundary line of said tract a distance of 250 feet to the point of beginning; thence West on said boundary to the Southwest corner of said tract; thence North on the Westerly boundary line of said tract a distance of 180 feet; thence North 87°09' East to a point due North of the Point of Beginning; thence due South to the Point of Beginning.

commonly known as: 5480 Woodside Drive, Grayling, Michigan

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed except in the event the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA §600.3241(a), in which case the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale.

Date June 8, 2007
FOURTEEN CORPORATION,
MORTGAGEE
BY: RHOADES LAW OFFICE PC
Peter D. Rhoades
P O Box 2271
Holland MI 49422
616-355-7318

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by DENISE A. BOONIE, a single woman, of 309 Red Tailed Hawk Loop, Grayling, Michigan, 49738-8787, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now known as Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, with its District Office being located at 240 W. Wright Street, West Branch, Michigan, 48661, the Mortgagee, such Mortgage being dated January 26, 1995 and recorded January 26, 1995 in Liber 389 in Crawford County Records on Page 299-302, such Mortgage being given to secure a Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of NINETY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY AND 16/100 (\$92,860.16) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Sheriff's Department at 200 West Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Wednesday, the 11th day of July, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 8.0% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 28, Red Wing Terrace, as recorded in Liber 4 Page 22 of Plats, Crawford County Records, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, 1501 Cass Street, Suite A,

Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, telephone (231) 941-0951.

Dated: May 31, 2007
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee

Michael I. Conlon (P43954)
Running, Wise, Ford & Phillips, P.L.C.
326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686
Traverse City, MI 49685-0686

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas D. Slavens, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 22, 2004, and recorded on September 28, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 687, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Four And 85/100 Dollars (\$161,384.85), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on July 18, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A; Part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 7, Thence South 01 Degrees 21 Minutes West (Along the West 1/8 Line) 17.25 Feet to the Southeasterly Right of Way of M-72 and M-93; Thence North 45 Degrees 45 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 340 Feet; Thence North 44 Degrees 21 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 105.03 Feet; Thence South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 305.18 Feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence Continuing South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 331.10 Feet to the Left Bank of the Ausable River; Thence South 47 Degrees 30 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 100.90 Feet; Thence South 87 Degrees 15 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 165.00 Feet; Thence North 66 Degrees 06 Minutes West (along said River Bank) 115.40 Feet; Thence North 20 Degrees 32 Minutes East 257.50 Feet to the Point of Beginning. This Parcel Extends to the Waters Edge of the Ausable River with Full Riparian Rights thereto.

Also Subject to and use of: An 83 Foot Easement for Ingress and Egress, Lying 33 Feet on the Left of Northeastly side and 50 Feet on the Right or Southwesterly side of a Line described as Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; Thence South 01 Degrees 21 Minutes West (Along the West 1/8 Line) 17.25 Feet to the Southeasterly Right-of-Way of M-72 and M-93; Thence North 45 Degrees 45 Minutes East (along said Right-of-Way) 340 Feet; Thence North 44 Degrees 21 Minutes East (Along said Right-of-Way) 105.3 Feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence South 50 Degrees 14 Minutes East 390.18 Feet to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

the date of such sale.

Dated: June 14, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC X 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #099625F03

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Stephen Scheid, a married man and joint tenancy with full rights of survivorship and Michelle L. Scheid, a married woman, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 5, 2005, and recorded on August 18, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 863, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Sixty-Two And 64/100 Dollars (\$86,062.64), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on July 18, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 49 and the East 1/2 of Lot 50, Clough's Highland Acres, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01, Page 65, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 14, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC R 248.593.1305
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Attorneys For Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #145005F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lisa M. Clouse, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to National City Mortgage Co. d/b/a Commonwealth United Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 28, 2004, and recorded on September 28, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 690, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns as assignee by an

assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-One And 84/100 Dollars (\$117,931.84), including interest at 10.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on July 18, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 264 feet of the South 528 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 21, thence South 0 degrees 20 minutes West along Section line 803.2 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 20 minutes West along Section line 264.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 43 minutes West 1321.25 feet, thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 40 seconds East along 1/8 line 264.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 43 minutes East 1321.55 feet to the point of beginning. This property may be located within the vicinity of farmland or a farm operation. Generally accepted agricultural and management practices which may generate noise, dust, odors, and other associated conditions may be used and are protected by the Michigan right to farm act.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 14, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC H 248.593.1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #145384F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ernest Balch a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 8, 2006, and recorded on June 9, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 883, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Eight And 24/100 Dollars (\$68,368.24), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 1, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 28, Roffee's Addition to Village (Now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 28, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #147968F01

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be

rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christopher J. Millikin and Kimberly Millikin, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage North, Mortgagee, dated June 16, 2003, and recorded on June 24, 2003 in Liber 640 on Page 578, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty And 88/100 Dollars (\$52,220.88), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 1, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 39, Timberidge Estates No. 2, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 03 of Plats, page 14, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 28, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC R 248.593.1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #147712F01

SYNOPSIS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP Regular Meeting June 11, 2007

The regular meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Riley, Balmes, and Hartman. Summers and Little arrived at 7:15. There were 15 visitors present.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded and carried.

Reports given by Treasurer, Supervisor, and Fire Chief.

Old Business:

1. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Balmes to fund S.T.I.N.G. in the amount of \$800.00 for the coming fiscal year. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Riley to appoint Tom Brooks to the Planning Commission. All ayes, motion carried.

7:30 PM Budget Hearing:

The Township Budget Hearing was opened at 7:30 PM and anyone having questions on the proposed budget for the next fiscal year could ask questions.

There was a question regarding the Truth & Taxation publication and several questions on the new transfer site that we will be building. The hearing adjourned at 7:41 PM and we proceeded with the regular meeting.

New Business:

1. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to accept the Budget as proposed with one correction. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Supervisor will get price on signs for park that states "Dogs must be on Leash".

3. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Little to change our internet service to Charter. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Hartman to approve the proposed Wage Scale and Meeting Dates for the next fiscal year. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to accept the Branch Library Agreement as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Hartman to allow free rental of the Community Center for parties and returning military. All ayes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Hartman to help fund the Grayling Youth Boosters fireworks in the amount of \$250.00. All ayes, motion carried.

8. NEMCOG has requested us to identify areas of public lands we would like turned over for private ownership. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Hartman to identify two areas of public lands that we would like to see in private ownership for economic development, one being South of W. 5 Mile Road and the second being along the West side of the expressway between W. 4 Mile Road, and W. 5 Mile Road. All ayes, motion carried.

9. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Riley to pass a Resolution increasing the amount by \$3,300 for the final draw on Westridge and Balmes Trail. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0. Motion carried.

10. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to pay the AP bills. All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.
Sharon K. Hartman
Clerk

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP 2007-08 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET HEARING NOTICE

The Grayling Township Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 27, 2007, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the 2007-08 Fiscal Year Budgets for the General Fund, Township Improvement Fund and Liquor Law Enforcement Fund.

Copies of the proposed budgets are available at the Grayling Township Hall: P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI. 49738

A Special Meeting of the Grayling Township Board will be called to order immediately following the Budget Hearing for the purpose of presenting for adoption the 2007-08 Budgets, amendment resolution for Fiscal Year 2006-07, payment of miscellaneous bills prior to fiscal year end and any other matters which may legally be brought before the Board.

Monica Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Pursuant to the Open Meeting Act, Public Act 267 of 1976, the Maple Forest Township Board will meet on the following dates and times during the 2007-2008 fiscal year. All meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month at the Maple Forest Township Hall located on Sherman Road. Meetings will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m.

July 10, 2007
August 14, 2007
September 11, 2007
October 9, 2007
November 7, 2007
December 11, 2007

January 8, 2008
February 12, 2008
March 11, 2008
April 8, 2008
May 13, 2008
June 10, 2008

Notice of all Special Meetings or any changes in Regular Board Meetings will be posted at the township hall a minimum of 18 hours in advance.

Sandra L. Baynham
Maple Forest Township Clerk

FEATURES

A Look At Our Past FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
June 28, 1984

Rose Duley and Gerry St. Germain, from the Grayling Booster Club presented Kathy Worden, Stacey Wolcott, Kris Larson, Paul Gust, Teresa Barber, Karla Dosch, Monique Petrosky, David Reynolds, Karyn Reynolds, and Wayne Schoonover with \$400 scholarships at the GHS Seniors Night. Athletic Director Mike Branch presented Mike Hickey and Karyn Reynolds with the prestigious Viking Award for outstanding senior athletes.

The Crawford AuSable School Board is considering a bond proposal to build a new middle school at the football field site in town. Superintendent Kent Reynolds was directed by a consensus of the board to make a program budget for a separate building at the site. The school would house 600 students grades 5-8 and be located as far away as possible from Grayling Elementary, Reynolds said. The school district was trying to save money by attaching the new middle school to the high school and sharing some facilities, he added. "We realize now the overwhelming support to have a building in town," Reynolds said.

A 37-year old local man was charged with being drunk and disorderly on June 22, after climbing to the top of the Chief

Shoppenagons windmill. Grayling City Policeman Tom Brooks said the man had climbed to the top about 10 p.m. and was spinning the windmill propellers and the weather vane.

A thief stealing gas from the Grayling High School tank, left a pump on spilling about 900 gallons of gasoline. Nearly 540 yards of sand and gravel contaminated with gasoline were removed under DNR direction and trucked to a clay lined landfill. The cost of removing and transporting the soil along with replacing gravel and dirt at the site is estimated at \$10,000.

The newly formed Commission on Aging board is working on a lease agreement to rent space at the Grayling Housing Commission project. Mary Harland, working as interim project manager for the Commission on Aging, said they hope to present a lease offer to the Grayling Housing Commission within 30 days to rent less space there than previously used by Commission on Aging programs.

46 Years Ago
June 29, 1961

Ninety-five hundred Michigan National Guardsmen will begin 15 days of intensive field training on July 8.

Grayling's newly remodeled hotel, now known as the Chief Shoppenagons Motor Hotel, will open its doors tonight at 7 p.m.

for an open house. The public is invited to attend and go through the establishment and see all of the new additions and the remodeled interior.

Margaret Douglas entertained three of her pupils, Marjorie Johnson, Gail Hunter, and Fenn Welsh, who had leading parts in the May Day festival. Sandra Kelly, Alison Schulze, and John Johnson were unable to attend. Sylvia Douglas and Tommie Douglas acted as host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schulze and children, Alison, Eric and Lauren, left Thursday for Hot Springs, Ark., where he attended the National Archery shoot Monday through Thursday, then joined Mrs. Schulze and children in New Orleans for some sun and soaking in the gulf.

Miss Jean Rasmussen is a new employee at the Grayling State Bank.

Miss Eunice Schreiber is here from Muskegon Heights, spending the summer at her cottage down river. Her nephew, Bruce McGuire, from Flint spent a week with her recently.

The class of 1961 of Grayling High School, has totaled up their financial standing, and wound up with \$176.91 above their expenses. They have presented this sum to the Grayling High School, to be put in a fund to purchase new robes for the GHS Glee Club.

69 Years Ago
June 30, 1938

The National Log Construction company of Grayling, despite

unfavorable business conditions that exist over the country, has been exceptionally busy so far this season. At times it has been necessary for them to run their plant overtime and Sundays to keep up with the orders.

Earl Gierke, accounting department instructor in the Saginaw Branch of the Business Institute, has obtained a leave of absence to attend the 1938 summer session of the Harvard University Graduate School of Education at Cambridge, Mass. He will study under Professor Burton of the University of Southern California and under Professor Nichols of Harvard. His work will be chiefly a study of the basic psychological and philosophical principals and practices of teaching as applied to commercial subjects.

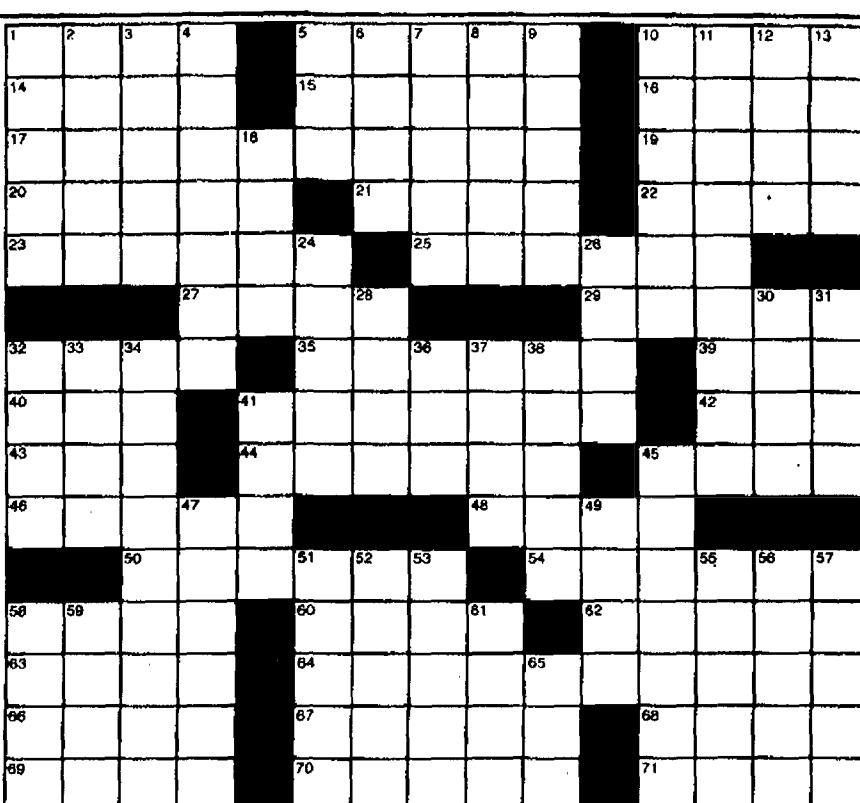
Hazen Hatfield, age 12, was injured when he fell into a hole some eight feet deep in the ruins of the old Central drug store. Evidently it had been a coal bin and the lid gave way as he ran across it.

92 Years Ago
July 1, 1915

Tuesday was John Hanna's last trip carrying the U.S. mail from Wellington to Grayling. Mr. Moon having been the successor bidder who will have the route for the next four years.

Miss Elsie Erickson of Sorenson Bros. store is enjoying a week's vacation at Portage Lake at the George Sorenson cottage.

CROSSWORD

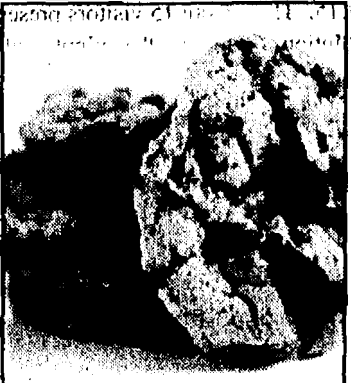


Across
1. Drumbeat consisting of two notes in quick succession with the accent on the second.
5. Stares at flirtatiously.
10. Replacement for someone on strike.
14. Leaf of the talipot palm used in India for writing paper.
15. Actress _ Liberator.
16. Acronym for Automated Line Test Equipment.
17. Political orientation of those who favor revolutionary change in government and society.
19. Weekly comic book published by Fleetway from 1952 to 1974.
20. Make bells ring for the purpose of musical edification.
21. Beat thoroughly in a competition.
22. Act of putting something in working order again.
23. Ice containing milk.
25. Accurate and to the point.
27. One of the nine ethnic divisions of Ethiopia.
29. Ludicrously odd.
32. Alfonso _ classical composer.
35. Very small.
39. Rapid, bustling commotion.
40. Mother of King Hezekiah.
41. Reside temporarily.
42. Thin, translucent membrane used over stage lights for colored effects.
43. British slang for a scolding.
44. Lacking refinement.
45. Piece of rubber for feeding a baby from a bottle.
46. Jawaharlal _ prime minister of the Republic of India.
48. Female Japanese rock musician.
50. Divulge confidential information.
54. Portrayed Wishbone on PBS series of the same name.
58. Ethnic and linguistic group based near Morogoro, Tanzania.
60. Long, thin, snake-like fishes.
62. Pretentious, luxurious country residence with extensive grounds.
63. By bad luck.
64. Pertaining to arthritis.
66. Remove the edges from and cut down to the desired size.
67. Antonio José de _ South American independence leader.
68. Remove the outer wrapping of.
69. Pay close attention to.
70. Having been taken into the mouth for consumption.
71. Eight-piece Ska band from Adelaide.

Down
1. Historical, cultural and entertainment district in the city of Winnipeg, Manitoba.
2. Extensive grassy and nearly treeless plain especially in Latin America.
3. Fictional character in the Pendragon series.
4. Letter carrier's shoulder bag.
5. Polish female given name, short for Aleksandra.
6. Formal association of people with similar interests.
7. Landowner.
8. Terminate in a specified way or state.
9. Form of Canasta using three decks and six Jokers.
10. George _ Irish mathematician.
11. Relation of a client to a patron.
12. Regarded as the only god during the reign of Akhenaten.
13. Diagonal line traversing a shield from the upper right corner to the lower left.
14. Pictorial notation written on a staff indicating the pitch of the notes following it.
24. Ban resulting from social custom.
26. Something of little value.
28. Very well-known Telugu film actor.
30. Short story by Raymond Carver from his collection Will You Please Be Quiet, Please?
31. Young male horse under the age of four.
32. Field of cultivated, mowed grass.
33. Mora _ author of children's books.
34. Terrifying dream.
36. Acronym for Notice of Revision.
37. Double album released by Fleetwood Mac.
38. Physical qualities expressing the size of a part of a surface.
41. Short, erect tail.
45. Publius Cornelius _ Roman historian.
47. Above the normal position.
49. Science fiction novel by Samuel R. Delany.
51. Brief and to the point.
52. Hardwood Hawaiian tree.
53. Exclusive group of people.
55. Make multiple identical copies of.
56. Leave out.
57. Johann _ mathematician.
58. 11th letter of the Hebrew alphabet.
59. Plural of "ala."
61. Physically secure.
65. One of the five strikes in Kendo.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Chocolate Chip Cookies

3/4 cup packed dark brown sugar
3/4 cup sugar
2 large eggs
1/2 cup canola oil
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
1 cup all-purpose flour

1 cup whole wheat pastry flour
3/4 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon fine salt
6 oz. semisweet chocolate chips or chunks
4 oz. dried cranberries or dried cherries

Evenly position 2 racks in the middle of the oven and preheat to 375 degrees F. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper or silicon sheets. (If you only have 1 baking sheet, let it cool completely between batches.) Whisk the sugars, eggs, oil and vanilla in a large bowl until smooth. Whisk the flours, baking soda and salt in another bowl. Stir the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients with a wooden spoon; take care not to overmix. Stir in the chocolate chips or chunks and dried fruit. Scoop heaping tablespoons of the dough onto the prepared pans. Wet hands slightly and roll the dough into balls. Space the cookies about 2 inches apart on the pans. Bake until golden but still soft in the center, about 12 to 15 minutes, depending on how chewy or crunchy you like your cookies. Transfer hot cookies with a spatula to a rack to cool. Serve. Store cookies in a tightly sealed container for up to 3 days.

Yield: 26 cookies

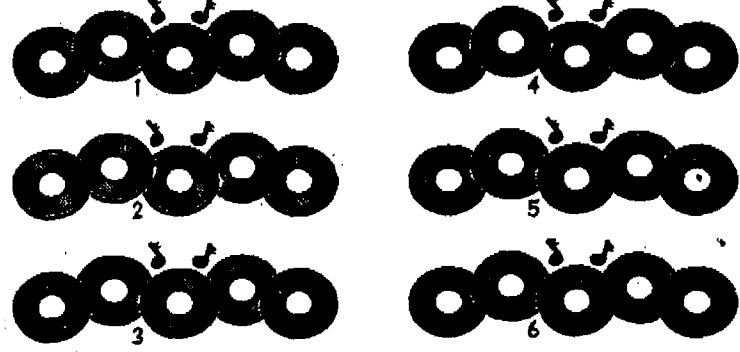
Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

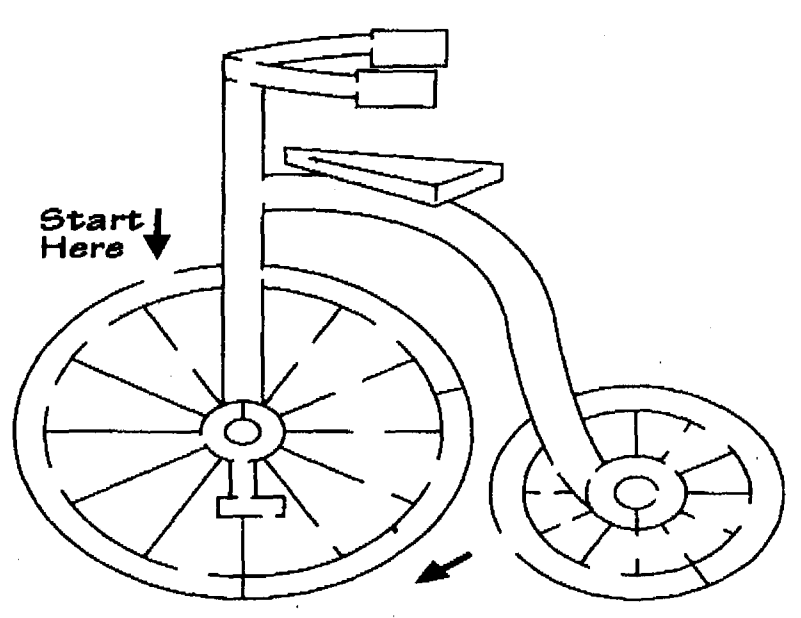


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After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117
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HOROSCOPES

For the week of June 28, 2007



December 22-January 19
You've got a few cards to play at work, and you might as well play them now. The time is right, Capricorn. A hobby leads to a lucrative opportunity.



March 21-April 19
Hope dwindles as a goal moves farther away. Be patient, Aries, and what is supposed to happen will. A brief discussion is all that is needed to clarify a situation.



June 22-July 22
Oh my, Cancer. Talent is a starting point for a project, but it will take more than that to get an idea off the ground. Go for it and pull out all of the stops.



September 23-October 22
You're on top of the world, Libra, and it shows. Use your confidence to pull off the impossible and enlighten others. A financial windfall is in your future.



January 20-February 18
Relationships grow by leaps and bounds, Aquarius, and you make a new connection with that special someone. A vacation package includes a pleasant surprise.



April 20-May 20
Can't afford to lose any more time on a project, Taurus? Then clear off your desk, set some priorities and move quickly but carefully. A romantic gesture provides a boost.



July 23-August 22
Don't want to lose a cherished item forever, Leo? Then a clean sweep at home is in order. Get the family involved and start clearing away the clutter.



October 23-November 21
Invitations to a specific event are hard to come by, Scorpio, but you manage to snag one. Put on your dancing shoes and prepare to have a good time.



February 19-March 20
You're the talk of the town, Pisces, and there is nothing you cannot do. Enjoy your moment in the sun. Darker times lie ahead. A lawn and garden project nears completion.



May 21-June 21
Oh no, Gemini! Plans for a long getaway get cut short. What you return to more than makes up for it, though. Stunning revelations throw you for a loop.



August 23-September 22
Candor is called for in a confrontation. Say what you think, Virgo, but be tactful. A trip down memory lane serves as a strong reminder of the importance of family ties.



November 22-December 21
You're inundated with requests, but you've got more than enough on your plate. Learn to say no and get down to work, Sagittarius. A friend shares a juicy secret.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week			Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
Date	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
6/20	73	49	0					
6/21	78	48	0.31					
6/22	70	44	0	High 69	High 75	High 74	High 72	High 75
6/23	73	43	0	Low 41	Low 47	Low 42	Low 45	Low 56
6/24	78	48	0					
6/25	82	54	0					
6/26	87	55	0	Mostly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny

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1. Real Estate

205 CRESTWOOD for sale or lease. Rent is \$600 per month, large modular. (W) 989-348-4252 from 9-5. (H) 989-348-5256. (-21-28/1)

1. Real Estate

LOT - HOME BUILDING SITE well, septic, electric in. Cleared, ready to build. 989-889-5217. (-28/1)

1. Real Estate

NEW HOME river access, 104 Black Bear \$125,000, cabin \$75,000, 989-348-4840. (-7-14-21-28-5/1)

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 Sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling. Price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06t/1)

1. Real Estate

LOOKING FOR a few good neighbors. AuSable Country Acres site condo wooded building sites. Capture the pioneer spirit through log home living. Builder Buckingham Homes Inc. Contact 989-348-7355. (5/17/2007t/1)

2. For Rent

OFFICE SPACE in Roscommon, great location. \$650 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (5/3/07t/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT on the AuSable River, 12 miles east of Grayling, 2007 S. Town Line Rd., off M-72 and Wakeley Bridge Rd. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, range, refrigerator, washer, dryer, completely remodeled. \$600/month, plus \$600 security. References and credit check, no pets. 989-348-4716. (4/12/07t/2)

BUILDING FOR RENT New, perfect for warehousing. Approx. 3,500 s.f. 6840' W. M-72. For info, call Art, 989-348-4252. (-21-28-5-12/2)

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX washer, dryer, refrigerator and stove. Available June 1. Reference required. Call 989-344-0446 before 1:30, M-F. One pet optional. \$575 plus deposit. (-7-14-21-28/2)

TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX APARTMENT with garage, \$550 per month plus deposit and utilities. Located at 1029 Heather Lane, Grayling. Lawn care and snow plowing included in rent. Call Northwood Rentals, 989-344-8787. (-21-28/2)

2. For Rent

FOUR BEDROOM, THREE BATH 1,800 sq. ft. new home with 28x28 garage and finished walkout basement on 2.5 acres. \$1,000/month and \$1,000 security deposit. Possible land contract. 989-529-8765.

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06t/2)

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BEHIND ON YOUR HOUSE PAYMENT threatened with foreclosure, don't know what to do? Don't lose everything. I can help. Call me today. Selling your house now might save you substantial money. Charlotte Bloomquist, Century 21 River Country Real Estate Agent, 989-390-1393/989-348-5474. (sgf-21-28/1)

Beautiful sunsets can be yours on this east shore setting of Lake Margrethe. 1,500 sq. ft., 2 bedroom home, has a large deck with hot tub and a 2 car garage. \$385,500 #5872

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NEW LISTING
Wonderful home or cabin. This great place offers like new furniture, ceramic tile floors, fresh paint and a basement. To top it off this package it has a back deck and a shed. \$59,900 #5875

REDUCED
This home is on 2.5 acres and has been recently remodeled with very little work being needed. The entire kitchen is like new with built in oven and cook top. The seller has priced the home below mortgage amount and must sell. \$64,000 #5781

Three bedrooms, 2 baths, wood heat & forced air, new central air. Attached heated 26 x 32 garage with 12' roll-up door, mechanics lift & 2 drive thru 30 x 40 pole barns with cement floors. 8.75 acres. Room for everything!! \$137,500 #5830

Fully furnished 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Located only 1 block from Lake Margrethe. Home features master bed and bath, large back and front decks, built in entertainment center and a shed for storage. \$70,000 #5828

4 bedrooms, 2 bath home in Frederic. Nice yard with swimming pool. Basement, great starter home...with lots of space. Large woodstove in basement that is circulated through forced air. \$59,900 #5778

A real eye catcher in a great location. Home is located just outside of the city limits of Grayling. 3 bedrooms, 2 bath home with new roof in 2006 and a new 28 x 32 garage with additional side entrance door. \$79,000 #5748

Well maintained home in the city of Grayling across the street from the Catholic Church. Close to everything. Ideal for the growing family, short commute to drop the kids off to school. Four bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths. \$75,900 #5768

200 feet of beautiful Manistee River frontage just 30 feet out your front door. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, plenty of deck, 2 finished porches and a 24x28 garage, all on a private 2 acre parcel. \$179,000 #5834

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NEW LISTING
LAKE MARGRETHE
100 FEET OF PRIVATE DEEDED LAKE ACCESS TO MARGRETHE (ALL SPORTS LAKE) 1900 ACRES. 2 Story Contemporary creates visual excitement in this 4-5 bedroom, 3 bath with gas fireplace with stone surround. Floors offer hardwood, decorative tile, and carpet throughout. Open Master Suite offers walkout balcony, large walk-in closet and 2 separate vanities, double shower with tile. Beautiful oak kitchen cabinets with built-in. Snack Bar. All appliances are included. 2 car attached garage plus large storage building and shed. Secluded patio deck with gazebo surrounded by rolling lawn, flowering shrubs, and trees provides peaceful relaxation. Fun in the sun with 100' deeded access to Lake Margrethe with dock, freight, picnic tables, boat mooring, with a hop, skip and jump away. CS-2527 \$239,000

AUSABLE RIVERFRONT
325 FEET ON THE FAMOUS AUSABLE RIVER 18' FROM RIVER EDGE. Enchanting wooded estate offering 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. New kitchen offers knotty pine cabinets with pull-out drawers, recessed lighting, drywall ceilings, knotty pine walls, large master bedroom with built-in offering double vanity, double sauna, jacuzzi tub and shower with life float/hot lamp. Bamboo Perga floors in kitchen, dining room and entry. Built-in bookshelves in living room, gas fireplace, vinyl windows, metal roof on home and garage. Current and limestone driveway. Underground irrigation system with 27 heads, water softener, new appliances. Great location offering seclusion with 2.2 acres. CS-2504 \$275,000

ATTENTION HORSE LOVERS!! 15 acres / fenced on three sides. Ideal Building site suitable for horses. Open pasture on front of property and hardwoods at the back of acreage. Situated on county maintained road. CH-2373 \$43,900

SHADY LOT IN GRAYLING MOBILE ESTATES. Large 1,416 s.f., 3 bedroom, 2 bath home located just two miles from town. 12x23 living room with 3 picture windows. Concrete driveway 14x10 rear deck, 6x8 front porch, and a 6x8 storage shed. To include stove, refrigerator, microwave, washer and dryer. Home is handicap accessible. CH-2507 \$44,900

CHARMING TRADITIONAL HOME! Traditional 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with formal dining room. Enclosed sun porch, covered front porch, large backyard, nicely landscaped. New vinyl siding and windows. New carpet, new hot water heater, newer electrical and plumbing. Partial basement. Attached garage. CS-2531 \$72,900

REDUCED
NEED MORE SPACE?? 20 acres in Maple Forest Township. Ideal building site suitable for horses. Approx. 50% pasture and 50% hardwoods. Located on county maintained road. CH-2374 \$52,900

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HOME WARRANTY
ADORABLE - AFFORDABLE 3 bedroom, 1 bath, large living room, nice back yard with over 1/2 acre. New carpet, drywall and paint. New roof. Garage. Very Nice. Immediate Occupancy. CS-2496 \$66,000

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Just Listed
Stunning, this 1,600 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, offers, fireplace, dishwasher, washer/dryer, central air, jacuzzi tub in master bath, has a 100 X 200 pond with liner and windmill, polebarn, gazebo, horse shoe pits, volleyball court, great fire pit. Great location for horses on this 15 acres! #251525 \$224,000

Just Listed
Home/Business offers 3 bedroom home on 30 acres. Operating pet kennels, many out buildings, including barn and more. Set up for Alpaca ranch but could be used for horses. Special use permit for kennels. #251557 \$396,000

Just Listed
Within walking distance to public access and park area on Lake Margrethe. This 2 bedroom Chalet features knotty pine cathedral ceilings, open floor plan, 2.5 garage, wood burner, kitchen appliances plus new roof in fall of 2006. #251560 \$116,500

203 feet of frontage on the Upper AuSable River. Excellent brook trout fishing. House in very private setting, with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a large deck. Lot size 203 x 655 x 216 x 716. Total sq. ft. 1,104. #244915 \$129,900

Large family home on 2.25 acres. Large master bedroom with bath, dining room and family room, and poured walled full basement that includes exercise room. #244972 \$105,000

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20.2 acres with thousands of acreage that adjoins this property to the west. Excellent location to set up camp for hunting. #248916 \$51,000
Property starts approximately 1,000 feet past log home at start of easement. Very nice high wooded parcel with multiple building sites to choose from. Mix of hardwoods, red and white pine. Seller is licensed Real Estate Agent in the State of Michigan. #250467 \$32,900
A great parcel for the outdoors person. Deer, turkey, grouse and bear are found on this parcel. Parcel has been surveyed and all splits go with it. State land on all sides of parcel. This is a must see. Take a look and make an offer. #250866 \$1,190,000
Very affordable frontage on West Branch of Big Creek. Has a power pole onsite, along with a 2 inch well and a permit for septic. Great trout fishing! #250948 \$22,000

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MINIMUM BID: \$43,140.00 PLUS \$1.00

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RIVER FOREST FAMILY APARTMENTS Hannah & Ballenger Street in Roscommon has one, two, three and four bedroom units available. Rent based on income. Laundry and play areas on site. Application available at office on site or call, 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD# 1-800-855-1155. (-21-28/2)

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ROOM TO RENT

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3. Employment

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WESTERN TRAILS MOTEL 989-348-7681. Housekeeping position, starting at \$7.25/hr. Preferred experience. (-21-28/3)

SECURITY OFFICERS Part-time security officers needed for local client facilities in Gaylord and/or Grayling areas. Experience preferred, but will train. Must have high school diploma, reliable transportation and pass a criminal background check. For consideration, download an application at www.dksecurity.com and fax to 616-656-4200, ATTN: Human Resources or mail to DK Security, 5160 Falconview Ave. SE, Kentwood, MI 49512. (-28-12/3)

3. Employment

WRECKER DRIVER must have chauffeurs license & medical card. 989-348-6288. (-21-28/3)

SEEKING STYLIST part time, full time. Send resume to P.O. Box 901, Grayling, MI 49738. (-28/3)

ARE YOU AN RN who feels ready to try a new career path? The Brook Retirement Community of Roscommon has a full time M-F, days position available. Flex hrs., low stress, able to make a difference in lives and health of our residents. Competitive pay and benefits. Looking for an energetic, organized person to oversee the clinical functions of the assisted living residents, plan/carry out activities, clinical training of staff, public relations. Would also consider an LPN with the right background. Exp. in long term care/geriatrics helpful. Send resume to D. Friedrichsen, The Brook, 195 State Street, Roscommon, MI 48653 by July 23. (-28-5-12/3)

RESPIRATORY RRT, CRT or licensed EMT. Wright & Filippis, a leader in Home Health Care, is seeking a Respiratory RRT, CRT or licensed EMT interested in Respiratory Care & Customer Service for our Gaylord office. E-mail resume to: jobs@wright-filippis.com or fax to: 248-853-8039. (-28-5/3)

4. Services Offered

SEWING, ZIPPERS, MENDING quilter. Ask for Lorrie (989)348-9349. (1/11/07tf/4)

D. HAWES/DRIVERS TRAINING Northern Driving School, currently providing driving instruction in Crawford County, is now taking reservations for upcoming classes. Grayling - September, November, January, March, May, and summer 2007. Segment I, \$240. Segment II, \$35. (989) 344-2470. (8/10/06tf/4)

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D. HAWES/DRIVER'S TRAINING Northern Driving School is now putting together class lists for the following classes: Grayling: June and July; Roscommon: June and July; Mio: July/August. Call 989-344-2470 for details. (LR7/5/2007/4)

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5. For Sale

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EARLY DEADLINES!!!

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Wednesday, July 4th In observance of Independence Day and will reopen at 9 am, Thursday, July 5th.

Early deadlines will apply for the July 5th issue:

Display Ads...
Thurs., June 28th • 5 pm

Letters to the Editor...
Thurs., June 28th • noon


Classified Display...
Fri., June 29th • noon

Classified Word...
Mon., July 2nd • noon

5. For Sale


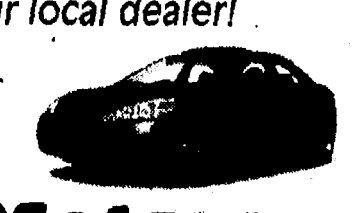
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5. For Sale

YORKIE PUPPY 9 week old male, first shots and wormed, \$550. Two year old female Yorkie with papers, \$600. 989-275-9151. (-28-5/5)

PULP CORD FIREWOOD \$70 per cord, ten cord min. 20 cord or more, \$65 per cord. 231-499-4474. (LR8/16/07/5)

2003 SMOKERCRAFT 16"5" excellent condition, 3 seats, fish finder, trolling motor, 40 HP Mercury, batteries, side console, \$7,500. 989-710-6034 after 3:30 p.m. (-28-5/5)

FOR SALE Tandem Axle pontoon trailer, very good condition. Used twice, \$1,495. 989-348-5977. (-28-5/5)

JOHN DEERE LX5 rotary cutter, like brand new, been on tractor 2 times, \$1,000. 989-348-3043.

PONTOON 1999 24' Manitow Legacy with 70 HP Evinrude 4 stroke engine. Also, with a lift, \$10,000 for pontoon, \$1,000 for lift or \$10,500 for both. 989-835-4158. (-28-5/5)

SHOPSMITH MARK-V with band saw, jointer, lathe, table extensions and many extras, \$2,000. 989-348-1554. (-28/5)

FOR SALE Glass top sofa table, \$140. Three Rembrandt lamps, \$150 set. Microwave cabinet, slate top, \$60. 989-348-6132. (-28-5/5)

9. Personals

5. For Sale

FOR SALE \$50 complete queen size 8 tube water bed. Phone, 989-348-8572. (-28/5)

FOR SALE Aluminum pontoon lift, never been in the water. Fits up to a 20 foot pontoon, \$1,100 O.B.O. Call after 6 p.m., evenings at 989-344-9066. (-28/5)

2003 51" HD TOSHIBA wide screen TV with oak cabinet, \$750. Men's black leather vest, \$25. Street bike jacket, like new, \$50. Wool hunting pants, \$10. Riobi 12" miter saw with stand, \$250. Auto Cocker paintball gun with extra barrel nitrous tank, mask & paintballs, \$50 for all. Two 10" Oz audio car sub woofers with box & 1200 watt, class D, Orion amplifier, \$300. One 8" JL audio sub woofer with box & MTX 2160 amplifier, \$50. 6 1/2" MB quart component set, \$50. JL audio 5 1/4" component set, \$25. JL audio 6"x9" component set, \$50. Danielle, 9-6, 989-821-7040, ext. 504. After 6:30, 989-344-2858. (-28/5)

CAMPER TRAILER 1971 sleeps 4, newly refurbished, new tires and paint, \$600 O.B.O. Call, 989-348-1875. (-28-5/5)

6. Wanted

WANTED-SCRAP VEHICLES top dollar paid. Pick up available. 888-471-3818. (3/3/05tf/6)

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WARREN FOREST PRODUCTS We buy standing timber and sell firewood by the loggers cord. Call 989-348-7133 during the day and leave a message. Evenings call 231-229-4845, ask for Chan. (LR8/16/07/6)

WANTED TO BUY Rittenhouse cottage furniture. 248-851-7585. (03/2/06tf/6)

LOOKING FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY or house to buy in Grayling area. 231-839-7991. (14-21-28-5/6)

VOLUNTEER HELP for Air Show. The Crawford County United Way is looking for volunteers to sell raffle tickets for their summer raffle at the Camp Grayling Air Show. They will be having a tent set up for volunteers to work from and be at the camp on July 6, 7 and 8. Please call Linda Williams at 989-344-9300. Must be at least 18 years of age and able to pass a background check. (-21-28/6)

7. Miscellaneous

FREE MILES Receive 15 miles free on all local Penske truck rentals at Reasonable Rental in Roscommon. Just mention this ad. 989-275-5972. (LR10/4/2007/7)

SIGNS, BANNERS, MAGNETICS for your business truck or trailer, digital imaging & graphics. Call Pete Kocenas, 989-348-7873 or 1-800-848-1268. (6/28/07tf/7)

FOUND black kitten north of M-72 on Stephan Bridge Rd. 989-348-8467. (-28-5/7)

8. Announcements

BUYING JUNK VEHICLES \$150, more for commercial. Buying and hauling tonnage of steel. Mixed waste metal price on forty foot trailer - we load. 888-468-7313. (28-5-12/8)

CUSTOM SIGNS lettering and banners for your business, truck or trailer. Color printing service, brochures, posters, newsletters, business cards. Call Pete Kocenas. 348-8627 or 1-800-848-1268. (4/26/07tf/8)

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FAMILY GRIEF or general counseling. GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (7/13/06tf/8)

LOST Black leather over night bag. Call, 989-390-4623. (-28/7)

PUBLIC INVITED to a luncheon Thursday, July 5, from 11 to 1 p.m., at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Takeouts available. Cost is \$5 person. (-28/8)

ESTATE AUCTION Jun. 30, 10 a.m., Mio. Furniture, glass, pottery, garage, shop, generator, lawn tractor, rototillers, sail & paddle boats, Dodge Dakota, coins & more. View online or call, Lets Talk Auction Company, 9 8 9 - 8 4 8 - 5 1 5 8. www.LetsTalkAuction.com. (-28/8)

FLEA MARKET VENDORS WANTED \$15 a space. Two big weekend events coming up, June 30 & July 7. Call Sandy, 989-390-4920 to reserve your spot to sell. (-28/8)

COMING EVENTS Tuesday, July 3, 10:30 a.m., Burning Oak Country Club, A.J. open. 3 man scramble, to age 50, blue tees. To age 59, white. 60-79, gold, 80 yrs., red. \$20 prize money. Does not include green fees. (-28/8)

9. Personals

I LOVE MY DADDY with all my heart. I love riding on your motorcycle because it is special to me. Love, Becca. (-28/9)

CIAO DAD I'm sorry that I missed Father's Day, so I am going to help you around the house. I love you! Happy late Father's Day, Zack. (-28/9)

10. Garage Sales

SALE 124 Isenhauer, 9-5, June 28, 29, 30. More stuff than ever. Prescut dishes, patio set, weight machine, collectibles, some furniture. (-28/10)

Fundraiser Community of Christ Church on North Down River Rd. & Glen Rd. June 29 & 30 10am - 5pm. Collectibles, tools, skis, bikes, vinyls, furniture, books, BBQs + lots more good stuff

8. Announcements

10. Garage Sale

FLEA MARKET OPEN every Saturday, 9-3, The Ole Barn, M-72 West. (LR08/30/07/10)

2870 WHITE PINE DRIVE Grayling off of Manistee River Rd. between 612 & 72. 10-3, June 29, 30, July 1. (-28/10)

MOVING SALE 1932 Stephan Bridge Rd., July 6, 7, & 8. Fishing, camping, tools, gardening. (-28-5/10)

GARAGE SALE, 2 FAMILY June 28, 29, 30 (Thursday, Friday, Saturday). 2969 Palmer Place, off Jones Lake Rd. Children's toys, antiques, fishing equip., tools, air compressor, glass enclosed gun cabinet, dishes, 2 boats. (-28/10)

GARAGE SALE All must go. Toys, videos, furniture. 206 Mikado St., Sat. & Sun., 9-5. (-28/10)

GARAGE SALE June 29 & 30 from 8-4 on 105 Madsen St. Lots of good, clean stuff. (-28/10)

ESTATE SALE June 28 - July 1, 9 a.m. - ? 5336 W. 6 Mile Rd. across from Moose Lodge. (-28/10)

NORTH PARK DRIVE off North Down River Rd. Fri. & Sat., 8-5. Grandma's odds & ends sale. Stroller, fold-up bed/playpen, car seat, girl's & boy's clothes and misc. Ladies cross country skis & boots, old records, large pontoon ladder (new), 11/16 7 ply Marine Plywood (new), natural gas furnace, household items, furniture, antiques and lots of other stuff. (-28/10)

TWO FAMILY YARD SALE N. Down River Rd. past Lovells Rd. (F-97) to Berghoff, right to 10737 S. Big Creek Rd. July 4, 5, 6, 9 a.m. (-28/10)

10. Garage Sale

YARD SALE 144 Mikado St. Friday-Sunday, 9-6:30 p.m.. Toddler bed, dresser/changing table combo, Pack n' Play, strollers, swing/slide play fort, everything in great shape. Baby/toddler/children boy's and girl's clothing, women's clothing, 2004 white strapless Venus wedding dress, \$75. Men's clothing, portable fish shanty, leaf blower, household goods and more. (-28/10)

11. Automotive

CAR DETAILING Let JJ's Motor Mall make your vehicle sparkle inside & out! 348-7710. (5/31/07tf/11)

AUTO GLASS repair and replacement now available at JJ's Auto Glass. 348-7710. (9/29/05tf/11)

2001 JEEP SPORT 5 speed, 6 cylinder soft top. 43,000 miles. 989-370-2643. (-7-14-21-28/11)

1984 TRANS-AM 53,000 orig. miles, no rust, all original, new tires, T-Tops, almost a collectible. Call, 989-348-1340. (-21-28/11)

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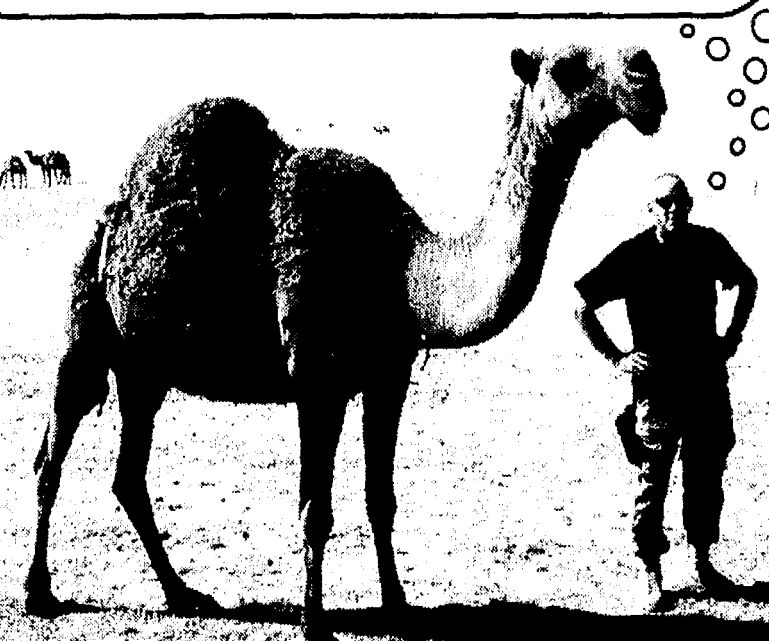
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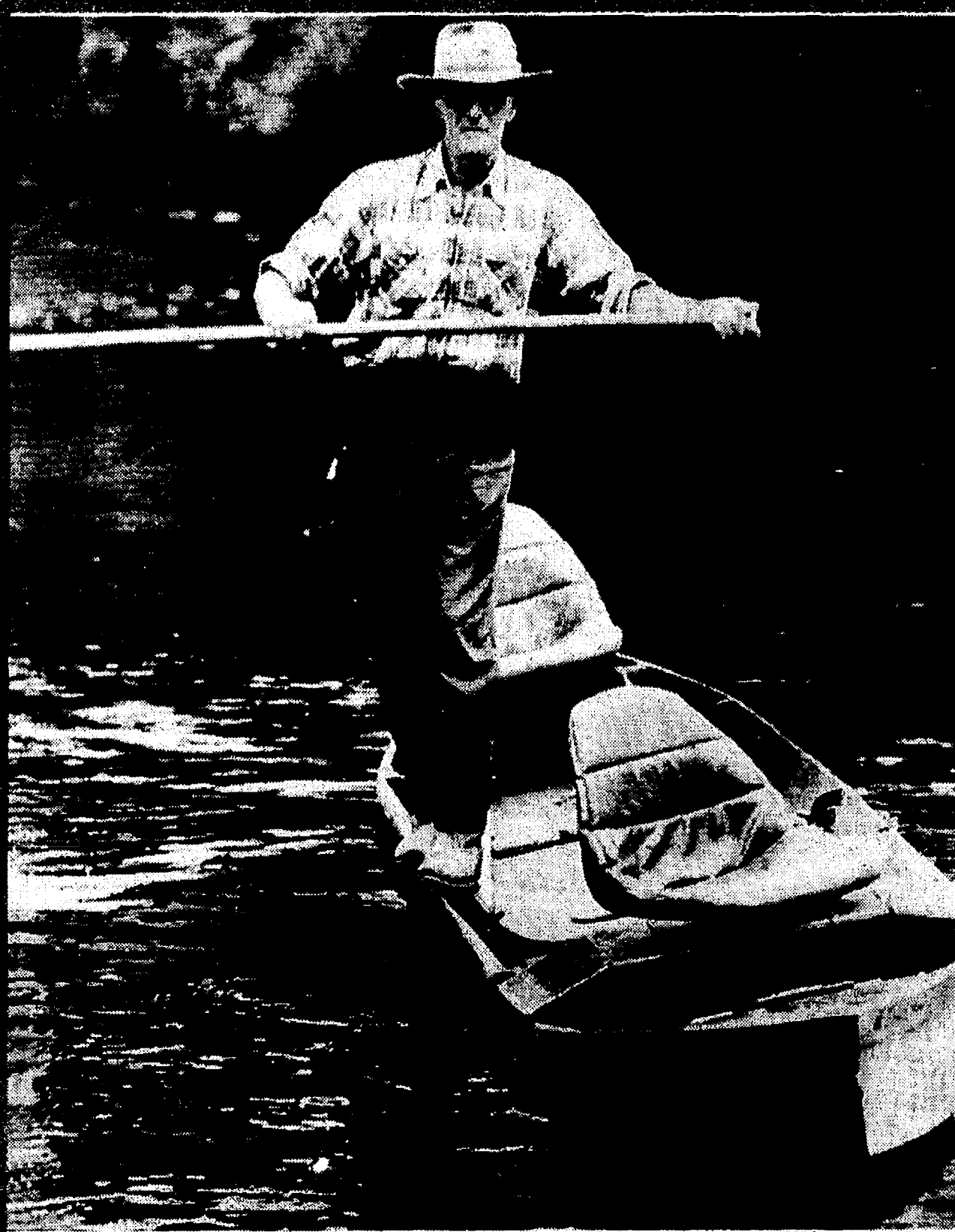
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RIVERBOATS

Jay Stephan (pictured on right) was one of the most iconic riverboat builders on the AuSable. He also worked as a river guide. He built 38 riverboats in his career. One of these, which was built with David Wyss, is on display at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. The Stephens are a family of boat-builders, with Jays grandfather being one of the very first AuSable riverboat builders. To explore the mystery of who was the very first, see the story starting on page 2.



THE FREDERIC MILL



The Frederic Mill (pictured on left) was one of the many economic focal points of the community in its early days. It was a vibrant community with markets, schools and residents from all occupations and walks of life. For a detailed profile of the beginnings of Frederic, see the story on page 7.

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Who built the first AuSable riverboat?



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by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Considering that Crawford County's most well known feature is the AuSable River, it is no surprise that one of the county's most famous innovations was the invention of the AuSable riverboat.

Although these watercrafts are sometimes referred to as "longboats," they feature a robust design that is entirely unique to the AuSable. Therefore, they should not be confused with the longboats that have existed in Europe for centuries.

A good description of the boat is provided in a document published by Borchers Canoe Livery that was written in the 1930s. A passage from the publication appears below, with no alterations to spelling or grammar:

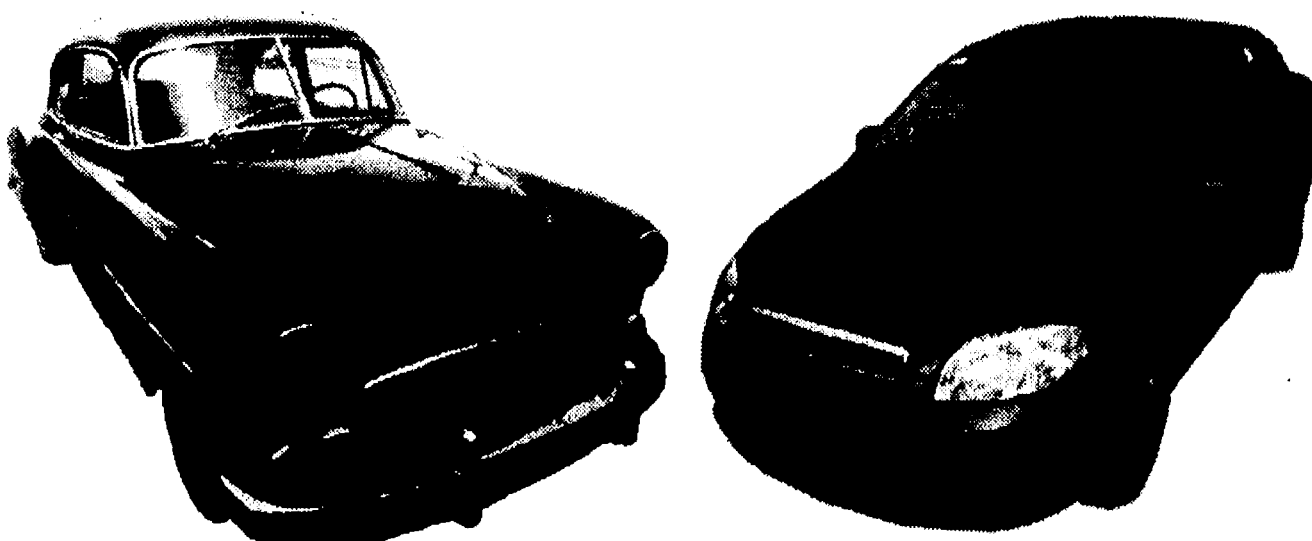
"The AuSable river boat would probably not win a prize in a beauty contest, but She has neither the

graceful curves of the cruiser not the sleek trim lines of the canoe. But she was never built to unveil her charms before the spotlight. This longboat was developed to transport trout fishermen conveniently and productively down the productive stretches of Michigan's famous stream. She does this job remarkably well, so remarkably well that it is somewhat of a mystery why her popularity has not spread to rivers across the nation."

The mystery of the boat's limited use outside of the AuSable is far from being the only mystery surrounding the craft. For decades, there has been a great deal of confusion over who created the first AuSable riverboat. Traditionally, there

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were two separate camps: local tradition said that a man named Edward Auger was the primary architect of the first AuSable riverboat. Ebb Warren's article aligns itself with this perspective:

"The boat was spawned back in the logging days, when huge lengths of white pine clogged the river from bank to bank. She made her debut as a 16-footer. About 1890, Edward Auger, a carpenter of Grayling, Michigan, began building boats for river guides and stretched her out to 20 feet, held her width to 22 inches, but moved the well forward for better balance and maneuverability."

Thus, Warren is suggesting that a man named Auger is responsible for the boat's definitive design. This was the commonly held belief until a researcher named Kenneth L. Peterson looked into the history of the boat in the late 1980s.

He could find no record indicating that a man named "Edward Auger" ever existed in Crawford County. He was forced to conclude that this theory was erroneous.

In a five page historical piece printed in the September-October issue of Michigan Natural Resource Magazine in 1988, Peterson staked the claim that the AuSable riverboat was actually invented by a man named Reuben S. Babbitt Sr. (1824-1890) in the late 1870s.

It appears Peterson's main source for this conclusion is in an issue of a publi-

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Arthur E. Wakeley, who is another famous boat maker, made the first "long" AuSable Riverboat, which was 24 feet in length. Early AuSable riverboats like the one under construction here were made from a base of four wooden planks.



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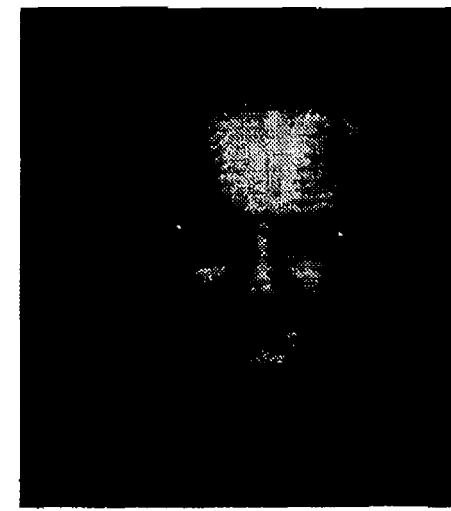
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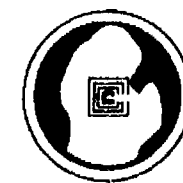


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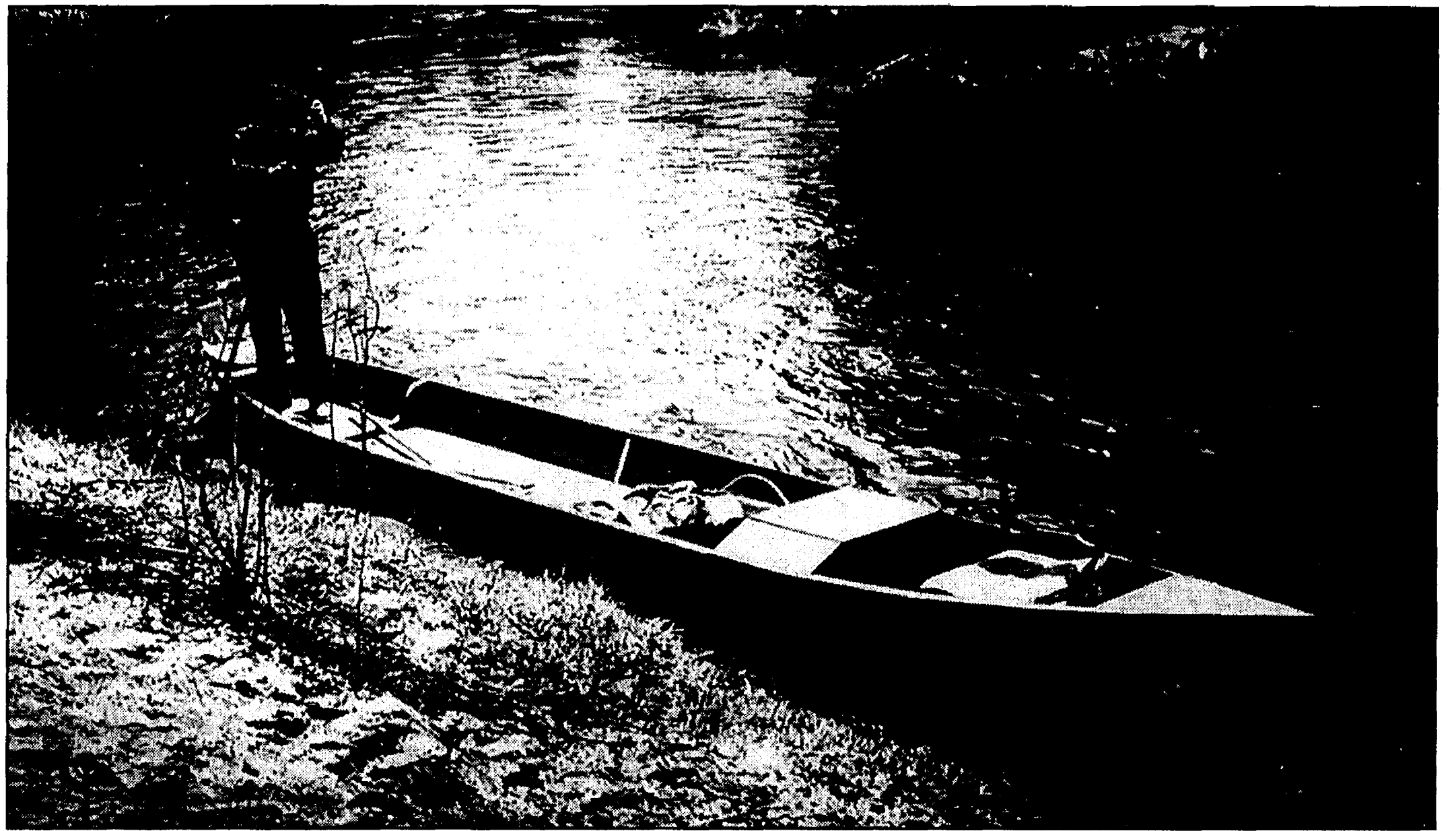
cation called Scribners' Monthly written in 1879 or 1880. In this article, Thaddeus Norris describes an AuSable riverboat and mentions Babbitt as its builder. Peterson paraphrased this article when he wrote the following:

"Thaddeus Norris of Chicago describes the early riverboat in an article written for Scribners' Monthly in 1879-80. The boat was built of white pine, he wrote, the bottom 1-inch thick, the sides 5/8 inch. The boat was 16 feet long, 2 feet 10 inches wide at the top, and 2 feet 4 inches wide at the bottom. It's likely that this wasn't the only length made, for Hubert Babbitt, 85, of Bellaire, youngest of Reuben Jr.'s six sons and a longtime river guide, said his grandfather also built boats 22 and 24 feet in length."

Based on this evidence, Peterson's conclusions were assumed to be correct- the earliest riverboat on record appeared to have been built by Babbitt. Peterson's conclusions appeared to be so sound that, within the last few years, the Michigan Outdoor Writer's Association (MOWA) erected a small monument to both the riverboat and Babbitt at the Grayling Fish Hatchery.

Nonetheless, very recent evidence suggests that the MOWA built their monument too soon. Correspondence between Grayling resident Fay Bovee and an amateur researcher named Louis Ward in 2003 revealed that the original theory that "Edward Auger" built the first riverboat is most likely correct.

It turns out there was a Crawford County resident named Edwin Alger who was a carpenter in the late 1800s. Apparently, his neighbors pronounced his



Ralph Redhead guides his AuSable riverboat near the shoreline in this photo taken in 1952. Notice the "live box" near the front of the boat designed for keeping catches fresh for the duration of the trip.

last name "Auger," which eventually led to his last name to be misspelled in historical records such as the one written by Warren.

In fact, Ward dug deeply into local records and found Alger's name spelled in a variety of ways: Edward Alger, Edwin Auger, and Edward Augar being among these.

So if Edward Auger was really Edwin Alger, does this mean he built the first riverboat and not Babbitt? According to the June 5, 1884 issue of The Avalanche, this appears to be the case.

An article in this issue says, "Three of the finest riverboats ever built in Grayling, have just been completed by the Alger Bros., and J. W. Jordan." The brother who is mentioned is Washington Alger. Concerning this evidence, Ward wrote the following in a letter to Bovee in 2003:

"Edwin Alger is listed in most all census records as being a carpenter by occupation, as well as many of those in his family. I have not found any reference to (Reuben) Babbitt being a carpenter, which seems strange for someone sup-

posed to be credited with the building of these very unique river boats. There is however a possibility that the Alger's built the river boats, based on (Reuben's) design? However, if this was true, wouldn't the Avalanche have given (Reuben) credit, rather than Edwin Alger?"

The evidence is compelling enough that, currently, the Crawford County Historical Society recognizes Alger as the originator of the AuSable riverboat. Only time will tell if additional evidence will come to light on this historical debate.

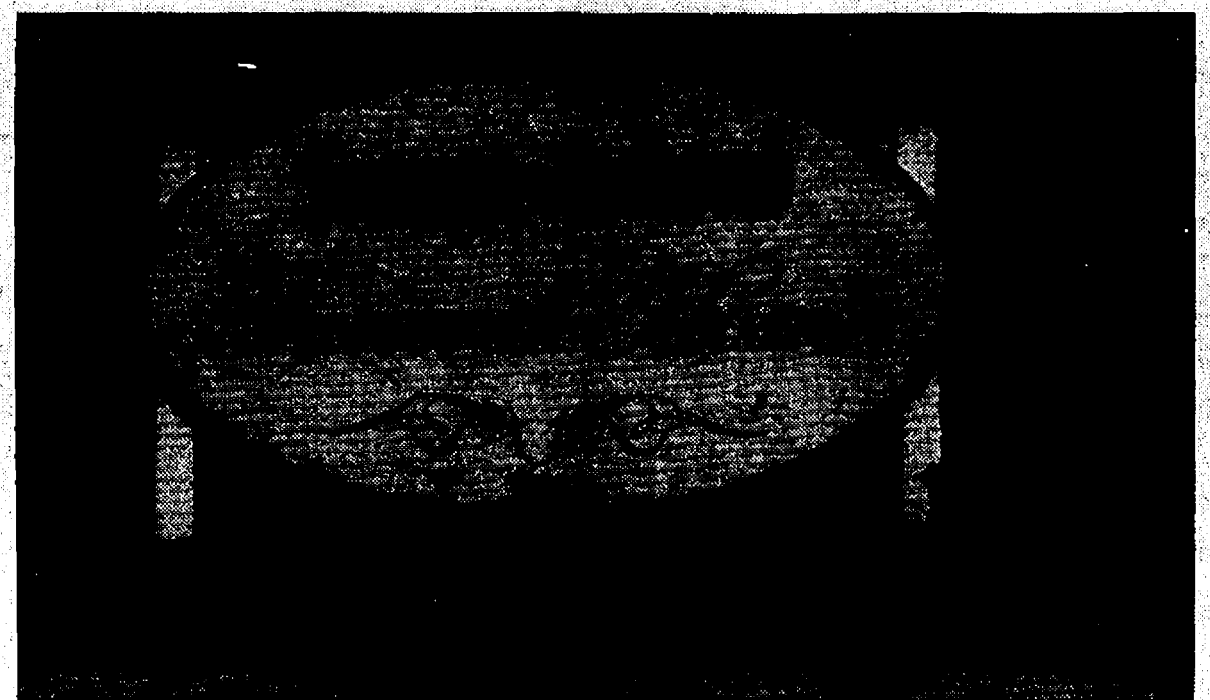


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The beginnings of Frederic

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Crawford County has changed a lot over the years. Perhaps no part of the county has evolved more than Frederic, which today bears no resemblance to the logging town that was founded north of Grayling over 100 years ago.

Nonetheless, even this most basic historical analysis of Frederic Township reveals that it is an area with just as much history as any other area of Michigan. Like most northern Michigan communities, Frederic began as a logging settlement.

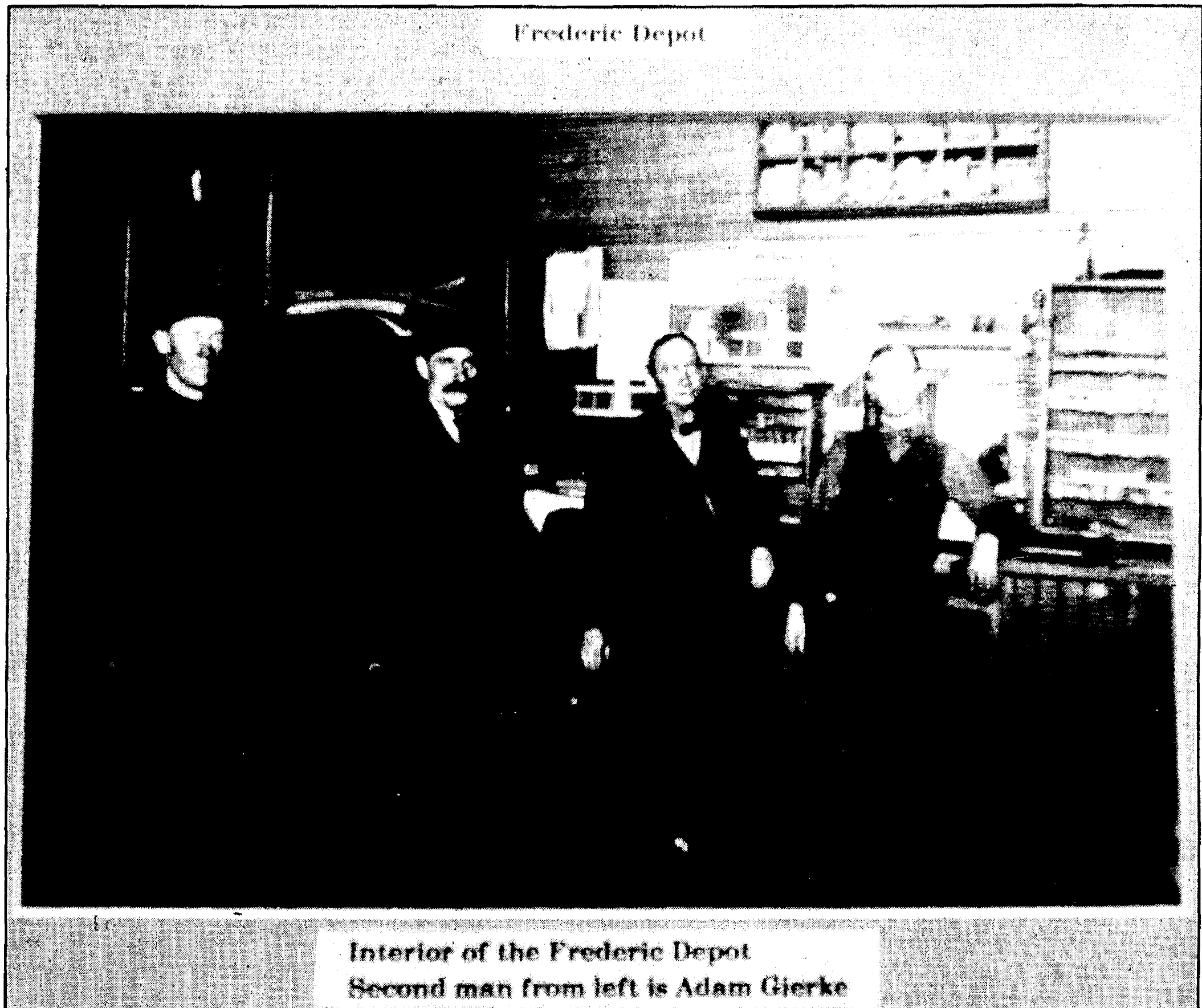
The year 1877 is marked as the date of the official founding of the township, according to records obtained by the Frederic Historical Society. The very early history of Frederic does not appear to have been as carefully documented as that of Grayling, but detailed research by various historical commissions has revealed some very illuminating information.

Transportation

Kenneth White, who was a resident of Frederic in the early 1900s, revealed a great deal of information about Frederic in the early 1900s in a 1992 interview. Footage of this interview is available at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

According to White, transportation in and out of the town was limited pretty much exclusively to the railroad prior to World War I. At first, there were no real roads connecting Frederic to its closest neighboring towns, which included Maple Forest to the north and Grayling

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This photo depicts the interior of the Frederic Depot in the early 1900s. The Crawford County Historical Society has identified the second man from the left as Adam Gierke. The others remain unidentified. Because Frederic started as a logging town, the railroad industry was a common occupation for area residents.

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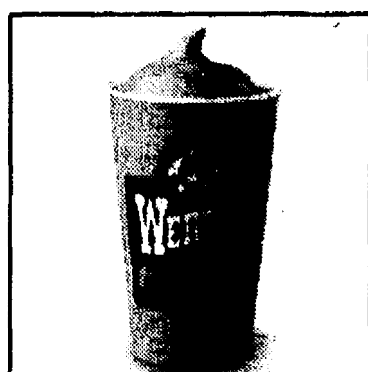
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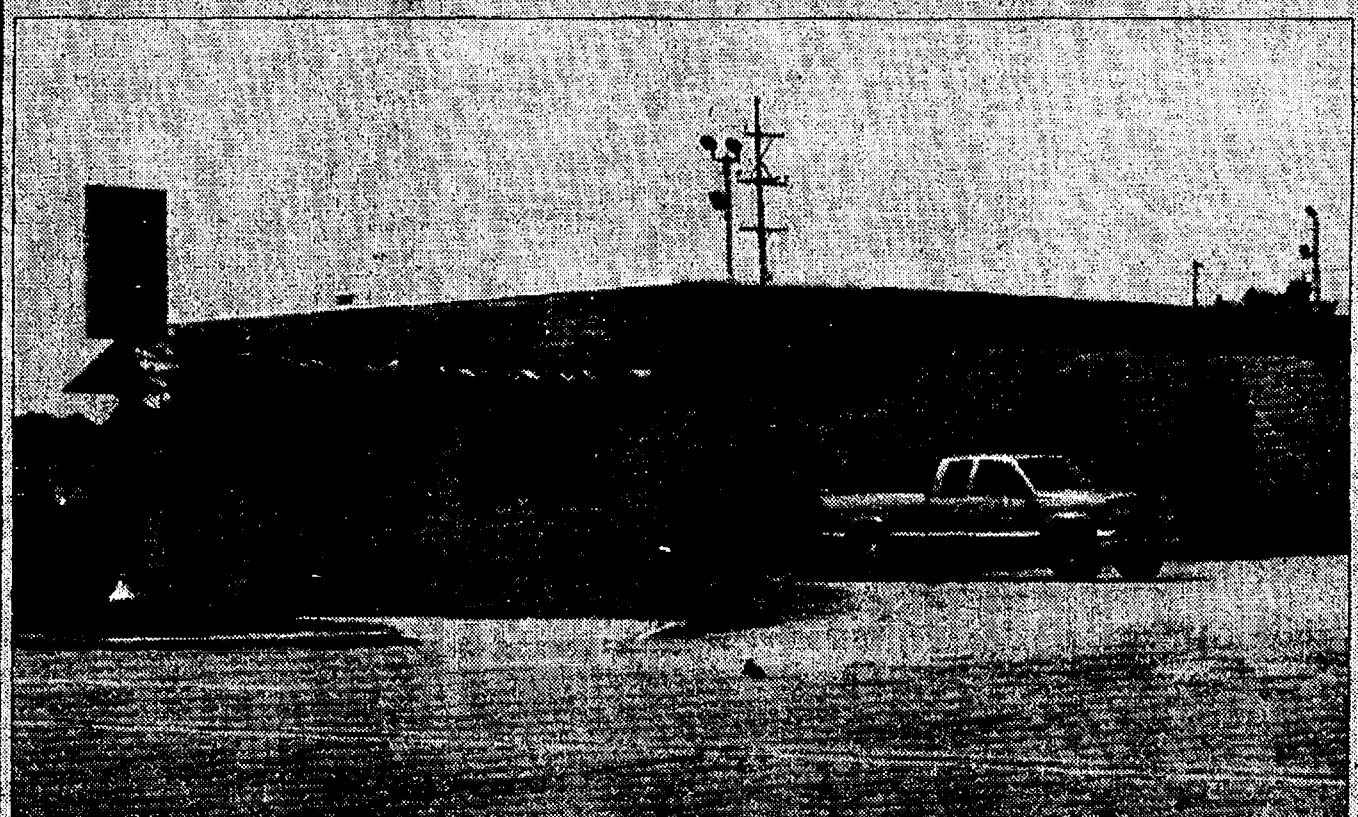
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However, Frederic resident Ruth Edmonds VanNatter did report that a "stone crusher" device was used to help build a gravel road between Frederic and Maple Forest prior to 1913. Nonetheless, there is no record of whether this road actually extended far enough to connect the neighboring communities. VanNatter only reports that the road extended to "the tops of Knibbs Hill."

Trips in and out of town, even to Grayling, required passage on the train. Nonetheless, this was not particularly inconvenient because the railroad system was very active at that time, with passenger trains making many stops each day.

"We had a lot of trains go through Frederic...I'd say every three or four hours you could catch one," said White in his 1992 interview.

According to White, a one-way trip to Gaylord cost about 25 cents.

Although it seems that there were no major roads out of town, Frederic did of course have local streets. The maintenance of local roads during the winter was somewhat problematic.

"We didn't have any snowplows, and you didn't want snowplows anyway," said White.

Town roads were not plowed; rather, horses pulled large rolling devices that flattened a path. The idea was to avoid creating large snow banks that would lend to snow drift. Hills were not maintained at all, which made traveling down steep hills by carriage or cart difficult and somewhat dangerous.

All this changed dramatically shortly

after World War I. The automobile became more and more commonplace and the demand for proper roads appeared.

Economics

The cost of a long distance commute was enough that Frederic residents tended to be economically independent of neighboring communities.

"You had to be self sufficient locally," said White.

Many families, including White's, had their own farms. White said that his family did not farm for profit, but rather to feed themselves. It is likely that this was also true of most of their neighbors. When a family needed something that they couldn't raise on their own, they generally did not use money to buy it.

"Nobody had any cash in those days," said White.

Nonetheless, White said people would occasionally use cash to buy milk.

"Everything else back in those days seemed to be barter system," said White.

For those who couldn't quite get by on their own, the tight-knit community had a welfare system in place where the township would provide food or money for needy families.

Prior to World War I, Frederic had quite a lot of industry for the standards of that time and region. There was a huge logging industry, which is what sparked the appearance of the community in the first place.

"There was a big mill, it was actually a sawmill. It made box lumber," said White.

He explained that "box lumber" is lumber designed to be fitted into boxes.

Wooden boxes were very prominent prior to World War I because cardboard did not exist yet.

The mill White mentions was probably one of the many that existed at Frederic's economic peak. The only remaining segment of Frederic's industrial sector is the AuSable Woodworking Company, which originated in 1927.

There were many small businesses from the very onset of the town, including everything from blacksmiths to shoemakers to saloons and food markets.

Religion

According to a historical article by Frederic resident Evelena Allen, Frederic was home to at least three different churches in the early 1900s: Methodist Protestant, Methodist Episcopal and Catholic.

According to one source, there was a Baptist minister living in the community at around 1885 named Putnam. Putnam may have been one of the first religious leaders in the area.

The Catholic Church was founded around 1912 by Father John Riess. It was called the "St. Leos Mission Catholic Church." Several more churches appeared within the next couple of decades, supporting the community's growing population.

There is no definite record of any organized non-Christian denominations being represented in the early days of Frederic, although the community did include a small Native American population, many of whom likely continued their traditional religious practices.

Government and Politics

A source from the Frederic Historical

Society indicates that until at least 1885, the community of Frederic was actually called "Fredericville." The same source also reports that the town was locally known as "Forest."

Just as Frederic citizens were very economically self-sufficient at the end of the 1800s and the beginning of the Twentieth Century, they were also politically self-sufficient.

There was little in the way of county government in the early 1900s, although White said in his 1992 interview that the township did not provide law enforcement, which implies that this service was offered by the county.

An article from the Frederic Historical Society implies that there were county deputies who lived as residents of Frederic. The township provided all services relating to public transportation, education, welfare, the court system and any other necessary services. The township actually had a highly advanced judicial system, with judges in place by the late 1800s.

Judge Wellington Batterson, who settled in Crawford County in 1878, may have been the community's first justice. As far as the general political leanings of Frederic's population were concerned, it is known that the community was generally in favor of prohibition.

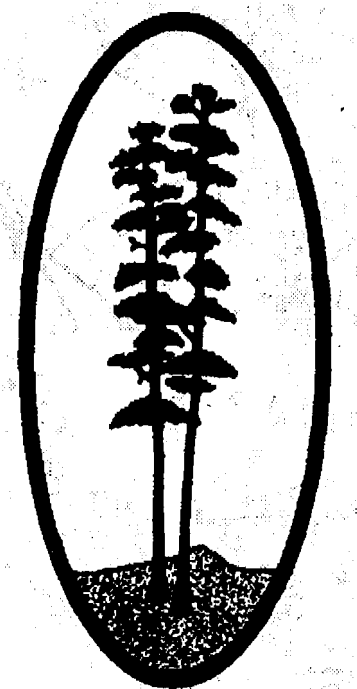
White said that in 1918 parents organized an event where kids picketed in front of local bars to demand an end to alcohol sales. White, who was a kid at this time, said that he participated in this rally of his own accord because he was personally opposed to the use of alcohol

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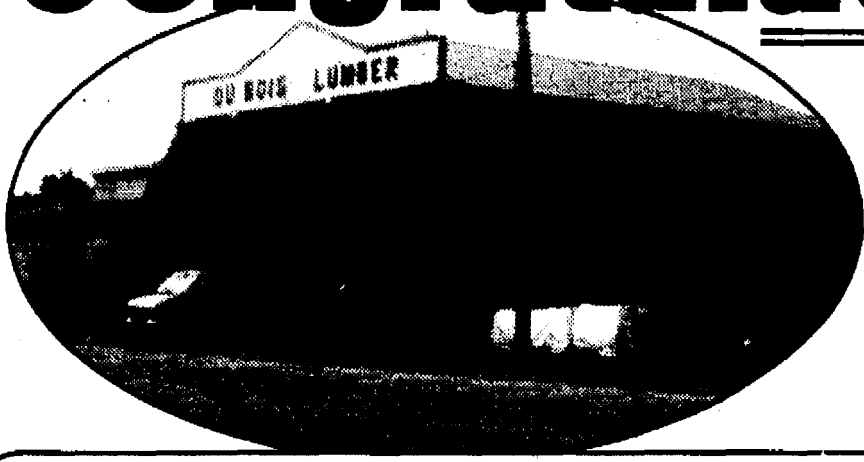
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The beginnings of Frederic



The Frederic Depot was a very busy place before the advent of automobiles, since railroads were the only effective way to get in and out of town. In the early 1900s, trains would stop at the depot several times a day, offering passengers a chance to visit the neighboring communities of Grayling and Gaylord. A one-way trip cost about 25 cents.

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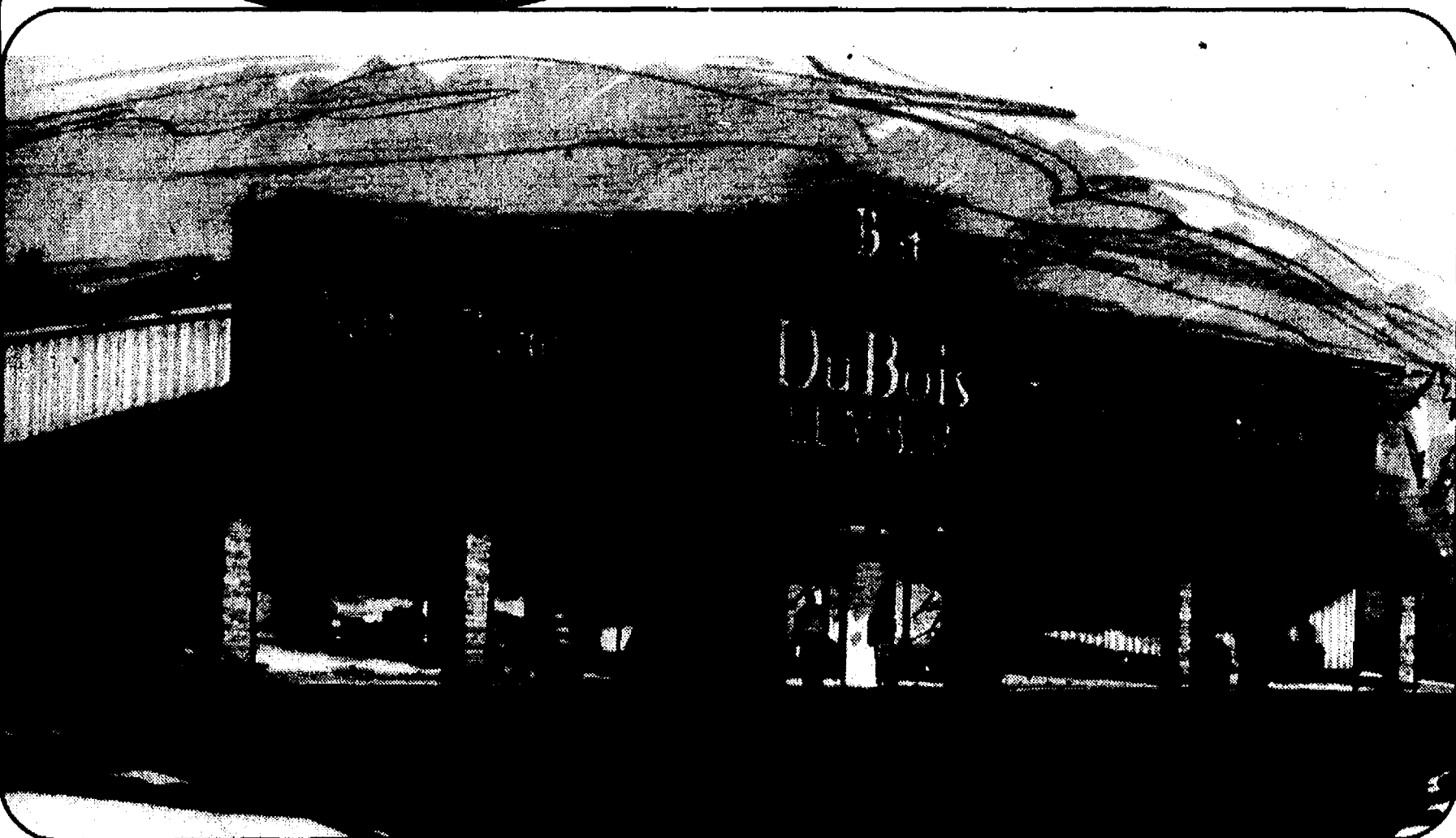
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at that time. It is very likely that this mindset was reflected by most of the mainstream population.

Education

By the beginning of the 1900s, Frederic had both elementary and secondary schools. Teachers were not always from the local community, in which case the superintendent organized to have them boarded at different places in the township. The elementary school curriculum at that time was somewhat different than what is found in schools today.

"We sang songs in grade school...led by the teacher," said White.

Some of these songs included Civil War ballads. White said that Frederic High School was not accredited in those days, which led some families to send their children to Grayling. However, according to White, Frederic High School may have been the first non-industrial building in the community to feature an electric light bulb.

"My first electric light I saw (was) at the Frederic High School," said White.

Entertainment

The town of Frederic featured numerous saloons and probably a municipal band in its earliest days. However, there was little in the way of organized entertainments for kids, who had to travel to the Grayling Opera House if they wanted to see a silent film.

However, entertainment is the one aspect of Frederic that has changed very little since the community was founded well over 100 years ago. According to White, the primary source of fun in



Pictured is the former Frederic town hall. Unfortunately, an approximate date for this photo was unable to be ascertained. It is known that Frederic's municipal government was very independent at its inception, with the county providing very few services. The town offered schools, welfare and even a judicial system.

Frederic was enjoying the outdoors, especially in the form of hunting and fishing.

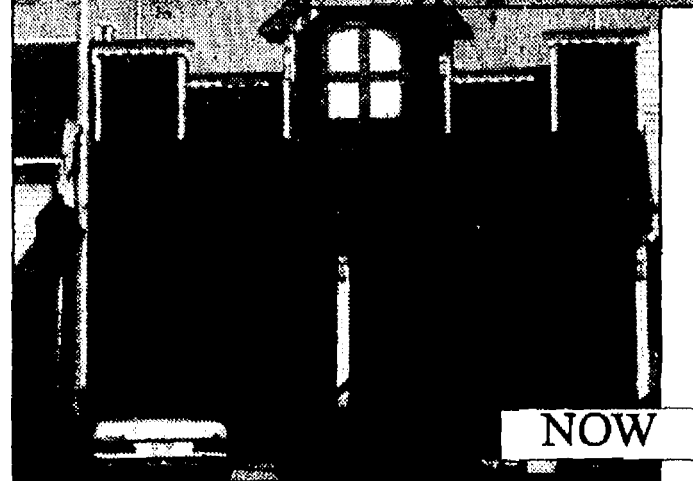
He said his fondest childhood memory was "just living out in the country. The sun shining, open air, lots of space." It is

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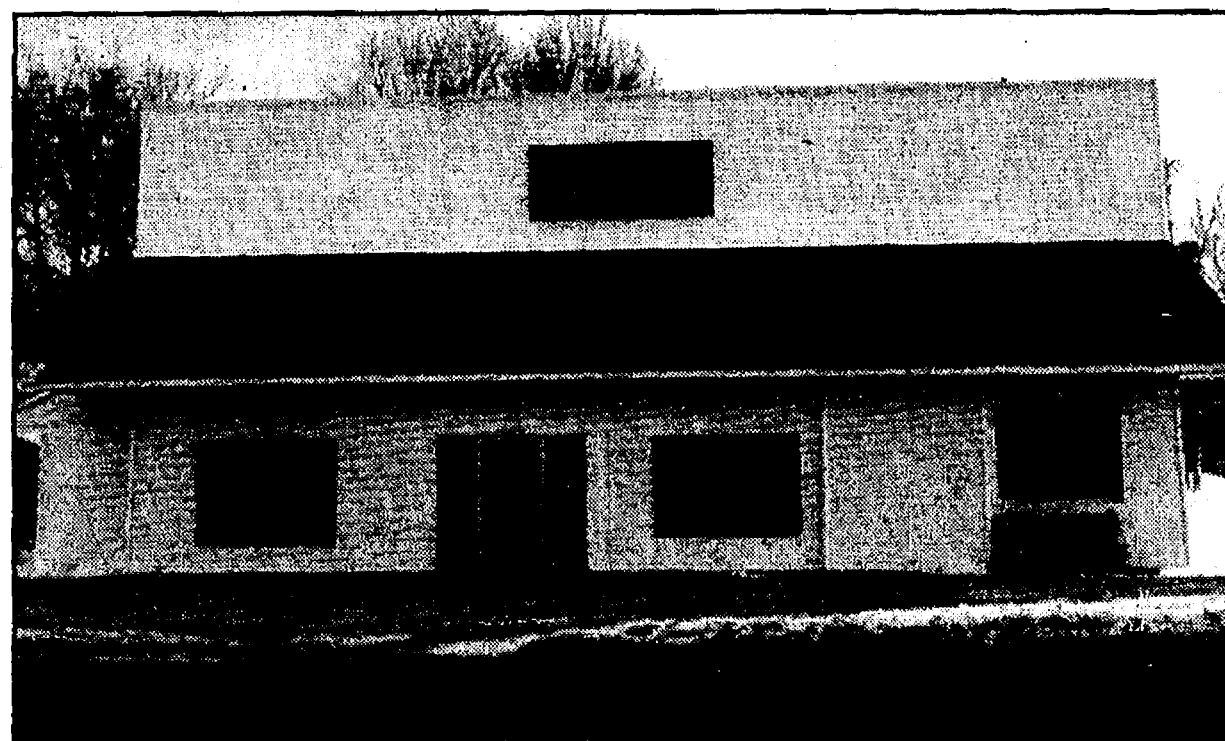


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